

The Very Best Male and Female Help Daily Peruse P.-D. Wants.



The Greek, to war's resounding beat
And banners of partial
Has gone to save the Isle of Crete,
With step and music martial.

The sullen Turk looks on, amazed,
Like one already beaten.
While Grecian flags on high are raised
Above the happy Cretan.

If Europe frees the wretched Isle,
With armies interceding,
Shall hapless Cuba mourn the while,
In vain for succor pleading?

Starkloff, Noonan, Meriwether,
Brown and Ziesenheim
For the Majority sweepstakes
Soon will be in line.

Are there others? Is there any
Who could long survive
On a track that's rough and rocky,
Matched against these five?

Hear the music! See the banners
That are waved on high!
But anon there comes a whisper:
"Where is Silent Cy?"

O General Billy Ryder!
You'd be right in the push
If you were made inspector of
The beer of Lem and Busch.

O General Billy Ryder!
'T would be a glorious snap
To have ten thousand foaming kegs
Continually on tap!

Oh, curse that jay committee!
It was a shame to kill.
Before it reached the Lower House,
Your beer inspection bill.

Now Fitz and Corbett hit themselves
To mountain-clad Nevada
Where "gentle" pugilistic turn
Have found an El Dorado.

And each has bought a phonograph,
And each will make his jaw go
Like a corn-fed damsel raised among
The stockyards of Chicago.

Oh! will their clatter never cease?
A weary world would brighten,
If they but kill each other, if
They ever get to fightin'.

Dr. Lyman Abbott
Says he's never known a
Story quite as funny
As the tale of Jonah.

Rev. Mr. Buckley
Shakes our souls with terrors,
For he says the Bible's
Full of monstrous errors.

What have we been good for?
Up with all the preachers!
Down with missionaries!
Kill the Sunday teachers!

WILL VETO BOTH BILLS.

SUNDY CIVIL AND GENERAL DEFICIENCY BILLS DOOMED.

CARRY NEARLY \$70,000,000.

(And Have Been Used to Carry as Riders Many Little Pet Schemes.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—President Cleveland intends to veto the sundry civil bill and the general deficiency bill. The first measure carries over \$31,000,000, and it is passed the House, and when it is returned from the Senate will provide for the expenditure of at least \$60,000,000. The general deficiency bill carries more than \$30,000,000.

The semi-official announcement that the President intends to return to Congress without his approval these two measures has caused general consternation in the ranks of the Congressional leaders.

"Jobs galore" and many "good things" are sandwiched in between many items of the sundry civil bill. Congressmen who could get their pet measures through in no other way, have attached them as riders to the sundry civil bill.

A veto would make it practically impossible to pass the sundry civil bill or the general deficiency bill in their present form.

CONSIDERATE BURGLAR.

He Rewarded a Victim for Sleeping Soundly.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—John T. Hurd, who lives with his wife and two children in Brooklyn, rolled over in bed this morning to encounter a bit of paper pinned to his pillow. Upon the paper was written: "I will leave your papers for sleeping so sound."

He read this over two or three times without making head or tail to it, and then got up to see what it meant. Scattered about the chairs he found many valuable papers. These had been in a pocketbook, together with \$30, which he had placed under his pillow last night. The pocketbook and money were not to be seen. Going to the kitchen he found all his clothing tastefully arranged on the fire escape. Not a single garment was missing, but the burglar was not in sight.

MARY KELLARD AGAIN.

She's a Fugitive From Justice, Under Indictment for Theft.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Mary M. Kellard, whose relations with W. G. Wood, the Harlem millionaire, and her previous connection with the Barbara Aub case gave her such notoriety, is a fugitive from justice under indictment for theft. She resumed a role which she played with great success when she held Mr. Wood in her power, that of buying goods on the installment plan and then selling them. Formerly Mr. Wood paid her bills promptly, but will do so no more. It seems that she purchased a \$400 harp on installments and soon after sold it for \$300. For this she was convicted. Miss Kellard is said to be in Europe, in a down-town office, she met Mr. Wood, a man worth over \$2,000,000. He became infatuated with her. It is estimated that she obtained \$500,000 from him before she was dropped him.

In November, 1895, when the trial of Aub was causing a sensation, Miss Kellard frequently appeared as the companion Aub had taken up. At that time Miss Kellard was a fervent worker among fallen women. After the conviction of Langerman, Miss Kellard and Mrs. Whittemore wrote a confession from the Aub case.

THEY WILL RECOVER.

Young Married Couple Who Attempted Suicide.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—"We swore to live together, we swear now to die together."

This was the note left by a young couple who had been married only five months, and who were found together unconscious from gas early this morning. They will recover.

The couple occupied a room on the fourth floor of a tenement in Cherry Street. Both were Russians. They were Hyman and Annie Keane.

Nearly all the women in the families on her floor thought that the woman was brooding over some secret trouble. She refused from associating with her neighbors.

The police believe that the man and woman sought to kill themselves, though the wife may have been crazy.

The Keanes had used lamps in their rooms. Yesterday they put a quart in the gas stoves. The fact that the man was half out of bed seems to indicate that he might have awakened to find himself suffocating and have made an effort to save himself.

GOLD MOVEMENT.

Unusually Large Amounts Received During February at New York From the Far West.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The receipts of gold from the Pacific Coast continue to attract attention. Since the end of January they amount to between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000, a good deal of which has been received by registered mail. San Francisco has to remit in order to discharge the obligations here, and as neither New York exchange nor legal tender notes can be obtained in San Francisco to any amount, the gold has to be shipped.

Some of the gold that is being received here now came from Australia for New York account. Last fall during the panic there and here, San Francisco took about \$3,000,000 of gold from the East and New York City took government bonds and other bonds in payment for a good deal of it.

About April 1 it is expected that the tide will change as is usual at that time of the year and the current of money set in again towards the Pacific Coast. In the meantime the gold that is being received is mostly going into the clearing-house vaults in exchange for clearing-house gold certificates.

If the United States Treasury had a good supply of large legal tender notes, much of the gold would be exchanged therefor, but the Treasury is almost bare of them.

On one day recently it had only about \$2,000,000 in large notes, or scarcely enough to pay its clearing-house balance, and as a matter of fact, at the present time and for some time past, it has had to pay its balance at the clearing-house in Treasury notes, the supply of which is gradually decreasing. Had it not been for the deposit in the Treasury of legal tender notes by banks for retirement of circulation, the Treasury's supply of that form of money would have been much smaller. The Treasury is fairly well supplied with small notes and it manages to replenish its supply of large notes to some extent by taking some from the banks in exchange for small ones, when small ones are needed.

A PARTIAL REVIVAL.

Some Eastern Woolen Mills Beginning to Increase Outputs.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
PAWTUCKET, R. I., Feb. 20.—Reports indicate that the production of many mills in the textile industry will be increased next week. The fact that some of the mills in Pawtucket Valley were running full led to the belief that they had abandoned the agreement, but this is not so. Three hundred thousand spindles out of 400,000 are being run on short time for three months.

LASH LAID ON.

Sensational Horsewhipping in a Chicago Hotel in Which a Young Lady Figured.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 20.—Chicago society is greatly stirred up over a sensational horsewhipping given to J. Riley Vansant by Wood Young, Dr. Fisher is the editor of the Chicago Beach Hotel while the guests were at dinner. Mr. Vansant is the Western Agent of the National Publishing Co. Philadelphia. Dr. Fisher is the editor and publisher of the Medical Century and lives at the hotel. Vansant occupies a room on the same floor as Dr. Fisher. Vansant paid attention to a sister of Wood Young. Young has two sisters, both of whom are employed in the office of Dr. Fisher. The horsewhipping is said to be a consequence of Vansant slighting Miss Young.

Vansant denies the charge. He was sitting in the ladies' parlor when he saw Dr. Fisher. The doctor turned half around. A moment later Vansant turned half around. He had noticed some one walking along the aisle in which he was sitting and wanted to know who it was. As he turned Young drew a rawhide and slashed it across the face of the publisher three or four times. A free fight followed and finally guests separated the men.

HE KEPT COOL.

A Brooklyn Butcher Imprisoned in His Ice Box by Thieves.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Three daring thieves imprisoned Benjamin Russo in the ice box of his butcher shop at 21 Fourth avenue, Brooklyn, and escaped with the contents of the cash drawer. Russo was released by his wife an hour later, almost suffocated and frozen. The butcher was alone in his shop when three strangers entered. No sooner had he entered the ice box than the door was shut and locked. In vain he called for help and beat upon the door with hands and feet. The sounds could not be heard. Meanwhile the thieves rifled the cash drawer of \$35, and after calling Russo to "keep cool" left the store. Mrs. Russo came down. Thinking her husband had gone out for a moment, she sat down to watch the shop until his return. As the minutes passed and he did not return she became alarmed and began a search. Finally she opened the door of the ice box and her husband was motionless on the floor. She dragged him out into the store. He was barely able to say that the place had been robbed.

CORNER IN TERRAPIN.

An Expensive Feature of the Inaugural Ball.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—The inaugural ball has caused a corner in terrapin. The price has risen to the highest price known in the market in many years. It is stated that the cost of terrapin for the inauguration supper will amount to \$14,000 because of the corner. As only 10,000 plates are to be laid at \$1 per plate, the problem of the hour is where the caterer is going to make a profit if he has to pay \$14,000 to speculators who have the market in their control.

DR. POTTER DREW HIS PISTOL.

TO SAVE HIS TUBS OF WATER FROM PINKERTON'S MEN.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—To save his water supply Rev. Dr. Potter drew a pistol and shot at Pinkerton's men.

Potter is fighting John F. Rockefeller and the Baptist Mission, and is practically a prisoner in his house, of which the Mission wants possession.

Gaffney and two other Pinkerton men stood between the preacher and four tubs of water wisely filled before the enemy turned the water off.

"Get out of here," said the minister. "Not much," said the detectives. "Get out, I say," said the preacher. There was a dark threat in the tones of the preacher's command.

"I have a right here," said the detective. "Let's reason it out, Doctor." "Get out of here or I will!" Gaffney got.

The water supply was cut off last Tuesday. Since then the water has come from the tubs in a room behind the one occupied by Mr. Nichols, who is a friend of Dr. Potter and is sharing his imprisonment with him. Mr. Nichols' room opens into the hall where Mr. Gaffney and three other detectives are on guard. One of Dr. Potter's sons went up from the doctor's apartments to get a pail of water. As he returned he carelessly left the door of the room open.

Instantly it was off the hinges. Commanding Chief Potter hastened up-stairs. Three of the detectives were then in the room. The scene already described took place.

The besiegers are weakened by dissensions. Capt. Reynolds, of the detectives, was for aggressive tactics. He wanted to stop all food from going into the house. Lawyer Clinch, for the Mission Society, ordered him not to interfere in any such manner. Reynolds is dissatisfied and intimates that his six men on the roof and the fourteen others may be withdrawn to-morrow. Another motion to get evidence of the St. Louis pastor will be made, and those who fear being hit in the scandalous exposures are not out of the woods by any means.

A CLEAN BREAST.

Oecil Rhodes Unbosoms Himself Concerning the Raid Into the Transvaal.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—A cable dispatch to the Post from London says: Cecil Rhodes has been making a clean breast of it. His sensational admissions under the six hours of cross-examination by Sir William Harcourt on Tuesday and Friday may be summarized thus: He financed the Johannesburg uprising, paying all that was wanted, asking no questions, seeking no details and keeping the London directors of the Chamber of Mines completely in the dark. He knew that the De Beers Co., of which he was chairman, was smuggling arms into the Transvaal. He placed Jameson's troops on the Transvaal border, leading the Queen's High Commissioner to believe that they were merely intended to protect the railway and for economy, though he informed Sir Graham Bower, a permanent imperial officer in South Africa, that the force was there with a view to assist a rising in the Transvaal.

"I am," he said yesterday, "the last link in the chain. I can't say I was cognizant of all other links, but everything came from me and the blame must rest on me."

The Johannesburg allies of Mr. Rhodes earnestly opposed the raid at the moment it was made. "Chairman," whose support Mr. Rhodes pledged to Johannesburg, for Sir Hercules Robinson, the British High Commissioner, though the latter merely concurred when Mr. Rhodes advised that

GILES Y. CRENSHAW.

Appointed United States Marshal to Succeed Shelby and Is Generally Satisfactory.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—President Cleveland to-day appointed Giles Y. Crenshaw of Mayville, Mo., United States Marshal of the Western District of Missouri, to succeed Gen. Jo O. Shelby, deceased. While unexpected, the appointment seems to give general satisfaction. Both Senators Vest and Cockrell are for Crenshaw and will work actively for his confirmation.

Congressman Dockery is especially well pleased with the action of the President in naming Mr. Crenshaw as Gen. J. O. Shelby's successor. The fact that Crenshaw is the chairman of the Third District Democratic Congressional Committee—Mr. Dockery's district—leads some to infer that the nomination is due to the Congressman from the Third District. This is a mistake. While they are warm personal friends, Mr. Crenshaw seems to have won his appointment on his own merits. He was a leading candidate for the place three years ago when Gen. Shelby was finally named. He met the President several times then, and Mr. Cleveland seems to have been impressed at the philosophical manner in which Crenshaw accepted defeat.

It is a fact not generally known that Mr. Crenshaw had been selected for the place, when ex-Gov. Francis took a hand in the proceedings and induced the President to name Gen. Shelby. Mr. Crenshaw's home is in Mayville, in De Kalb County, and he is an active, hard-working Democrat. The fact that both Missouri Senators are for him is evidence of his loyalty as a party man.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
MAYSVILLE, Mo., Feb. 20.—Giles Y. Crenshaw, who has been appointed United States Marshal, is one of the best-known Democrats in the State. At the time of the appointment of Gen. Jo Shelby he was the General's only rival for the position, and it is said that his appointment had been determined upon and his nomination was ready to be sent to the Senate, when he was turned down at the last moment. Mr. Crenshaw is in every way qualified for the position and in private and public life he belongs to the better class of citizens who give standing to his party and the community in which he lives. All citizens, without regard to party, rejoice in his appointment. He is an uncompromising Democrat, who believes the majority should determine the policy of the party. He is chairman of the Third Congressional Committee and through his efforts the district has been made the Gibraltar of Democracy.

SINCE THE POOL BROKE.

Over a Million Tons of Rails Sold in a Month at the New Prices.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The great quantities of rails ordered for early delivery by roads throughout the country since the dissolution of the rail pool has given rise to the belief in some quarters that the heretofore high rates for railroads are being made small roads frequently delayed making repairs when equipment was costly. The magnitude of recent transactions is suggestive, from another point of view. During the week following the collapse of the pool it is estimated that 800,000 tons were sold, compared with the sales of 1894.

THE WEATHER FORECAST.

FAIR AND COLDER.

The Weather Bureau forecasts are as follows:
Missouri—Fair, probably followed by local showers in southern portion; north winds and colder.
Illinois—Fair except local showers in southern portion; winds shifting to northerly; cooler.
Arkansas—Fair, preceded by local rains in eastern portion; southeast winds, becoming variable, and cooler Sunday night.

MISSOURI HONORS WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

A SERIES OF OVATIONS AT JEFFERSON CITY.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 20.—The visit of William Jennings Bryan to the Capital of Missouri was a series of ovations. He came on the afternoon train to be met at the depot by an army of admirers. They followed him up the hill and around the principal business blocks to the Mansion. It was a procession of triumph. Again when he went to Representative Hall

A HUMAN BRIDGE.

Saves the Life of a Careless Cargman at Passaic Falls.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—"Human bridges" are more or less familiar to the theater-going public, but the residents of the vicinity of the Passaic Falls in Paterson, N. J., can boast of having seen a "human bridge" in full operation, whose practical result was the saving of life. Four men, by forming themselves into a living rope, succeeded in saving Frederick Billson of the Excelsior Boat Club from being swept over the falls to certain death. Billson was out in his shell about 100 feet above the falls. All too late he realized his danger, and was carried over the dam toward the falls. He jumped into the water and tried by swimming to reach the shore. He grasped a rock and clung to it. The four men who saw his danger led each other down heel by hand and slowly dragged him to safety.

A NEW TAX.

Tradesmen Want a Duty Imposed on the Personal Effects of People From Abroad.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—More than 3,000 importers, shoe dealers, tailors and glove makers have signed a petition to Congress asking that a duty be imposed on the personal effects of people coming to this country from abroad.

A permanent organization to be known as the Board of Trade is to be organized. A meeting was held to-day for the purpose of asking Congress to take action on the petition. Dealers in other cities will be urged to join.

It is the opinion of the dealers that their trade is greatly injured by the practice of tourists buying goods abroad and bringing them into this country free of duty.

J. A. Heckman, an importing tailor, is chairman of the committee which circulated the petition and signed the call. The other members are Samuel Budd and J. M. Heckman, and imported goods. Mr. Heckman said:

"This is a movement that originated with up-town dealers in boots and shoes, men's furnishings and gloves. Bloomingdale Bros. have given a great deal of thought to the question of dutiable personal baggage and are supporting the movement. It is not aimed at any class and there is no animus back of it. We have 3,000 names and expect 25,000. The petition will be presented at the extra session of Congress."

E. W. Bloomingsdale said: "I have found that the average amount of dutiable goods brought in by each cabin passenger is \$500. In 1894, 83,000 cabin passengers entered this city and in 1895, 94,000 landed. The estimated value of goods brought into this port in that year by tourists was \$47,000,000."

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only an incident in the great battle which are waged for a cause in which we believe. Government is what the people want. If they want it bad enough to make the right effort to get it. Andrew Jackson said that when the Government stepped aside and adopted measures that make the rich richer, the people have a right to complain. It is not the duty of government to exaggerate the inequalities of men. If one man can, by superior education or intellectual qualities, make \$10 a day, while his neighbor makes but two, the government has no right to say to the man who makes but two that he must give up one dollar to his more fortunate neighbor. That is unjust.

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GEN. LEE ASKS FOR SHIPS.

REQUESTS URGENTLY THAT THEY BE RUSHED TO CUBA.

LOOKS VERY LIKE BUSINESS.

Persistent Slights of His Request in Regard to a Murdered American Cause Strained Relations.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to the Herald from Jacksonville says: Consul General Lee has requested in urgent terms that the United States Government send warships to Cuba because of the attitude of the Spanish authorities in relation to the alleged murder of Dr. Ruiz, an American dentist in the Guanabacoa prison.

A special to the World from Washington says: Consul-General Lee cabled from Havana to the State Department this afternoon that he had made a formal request of Acting Capt.-Gen. Ahumada for permission to examine the body of Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, an American dentist, who was found dead in a prison at Guanabacoa. The guards allege that Dr. Ruiz committed suicide, but information was conveyed to Gen. Lee that he was murdered. It was desired to disinter the body to determine whether it was a case of murder or suicide.

Gen. Lee reported that his request, in every way was reasonable and made in the usual manner, was refused, and all his efforts to have the refusal rescinded had proved unavailing. He asked instructions from the State Department.

Assistant Secretary Rockhill immediately laid the communication before Secretary Olney and in the next hour and a half three or four consultations were held over the subject.

Gen. Lee was directed to renew his request for the exhuming of the body of Dr. Ruiz and to insist upon compliance with his demand.

In less than two hours after the receipt of Gen. Lee's cablegram Secretary Olney went to the Executive Mansion.

Liter the matter was called to the attention of Senator De Lome, the Spanish Minister, with the request that he straightway have his Government instruct its representative in Cuba to give full recognition to the rights of the American Consul-General.

CUBAN VICTORIES.

Engagements in Pinar Del Rio, in Which the Spaniards Were Defeated.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 20.—Letters from Pinar del Rio today to Col. Corbo give details of engagements in that section recently in all of which the insurgents were successful. Near Joreta Maj. P. Morales engaged San Martin's troops, and after a two hours' fight, the Cuban militia charged, routing the Spaniards from the field in utter rout, they leaving 125 dead on the field.

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At the woods of El Tovo was another disaster for the Spaniards. Col. Lencina defeated the Cuban militia, and after a two hours' fight, the Cuban militia charged, routing the Spaniards from the field in utter rout, they leaving 125 dead on the field.

BRITISH POWER.

The Sultan of Nupe Has Been Put Out of Office.

BRASS, West Coast of Africa, Feb. 20.—The Sultan of Nupe, who was formerly deposed by Muhammad, the British agent, has been installed at Bida under the direction of the Royal Niger Company.

SNOW PLOWS BUSY.

The Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railroads Blocked.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 20.—A Grand Forks (N. D.) special to the Dispatch says: Snow commenced to fall yesterday, and as evening approached a heavy south wind prevailed and continued until late into the night, when it subsided. About 6 o'clock this morning the storm of snow and wind was resumed and has developed into an old-fashioned northeaster.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 20.—A dispatch from Monte Vista, Colo., says that the worst snowstorm of the season began there this morning.

JUDGMENT FOR \$900,000.

Obtained Against the Chesapeake and Ohio Southwestern Receiver.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 20.—Judgment for \$900,000 against the receiver of the Chesapeake and Ohio Southwestern, charged with the murder of Mr. Allen and Miss Ruth Black, this afternoon brought in a verdict pronouncing Flanagan sane. His trial for double murder will now follow.

SETTLERS SAY IT IS A STEAL.

THAT PERRINE LAND GRANT TO BE PROBED INTO.

IT SMELLS OF STANDARD OIL.

Judge, Brookshire, for the Settlers, Says He Can Prove All Kinds of Irregularities.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—The Senate Committee on Public Lands will meet at 10 o'clock Monday to investigate the action of Secretary Francis and his associates in the Perrine claim.

It promises to mark the opening of a scandal. The record on the Perrine case secured counsel and proposed to fight what they term a steal. They will be represented Monday.

President Cleveland declines to make a statement explaining the granting of a patent for over 20,000 acres of valuable Florida lands to the wife's relatives by the order of the Secretary of the Interior, Francis. Private Secretary Thurber, when questioned in regard to the story, said: "The grant was both regular and legal, in all particulars, as can be evidenced by an examination of the records in the case now on file in the Interior Department. Mr. Cleveland scarcely knew of the existence of such a claim by his wife's relatives until it was finally passed upon by Secretary Francis. The President has no explanation to make in connection with the case and will, of course, refuse to make any statement."

Judge E. Y. Brookshire, a former member of Congress from Indiana, who has been retained by the settlers on the land involved in the grant, will bring the matter to the attention of the committee and will strongly argue against the action of the Secretary of the Interior. Judge Brookshire said today that he was positive that the disclosures to be made would establish beyond doubt that the grant was irregular and he eventually hoped to have it so declared.

The matter, he said, would finally find its way into the Federal courts, where he intended to institute an action to invalidate the grant.

Judge Brookshire strongly intimated that the East Coast Florida Railway, of which H. M. Plagier, the Standard Oil magnate, is the principal owner, was behind the whole matter and backed up the Perrine heirs in their successful effort to secure the land.

"I understand," said Judge Brookshire, "that the railroad has been trying to secure the land for many years past, and adopted their present plan as the most advantageous way of getting possession of it."

The land in question is situated in Dade County, in the southern part of Florida. It is said to be especially valuable for the propagation of tropical fruits.

WAR ON FRANCIS.

Republicans Object to the Abolition of Pension Agencies.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—Secretary Francis is in very hot water again, as the Republicans are denouncing his closing of pension agencies. A caucus of leaders has been held and the situation discussed.

The moment he takes his seat great pressure will be brought to bear on President Cleveland to revoke the order of President Cleveland abolishing the nine pension agencies.

A paper on this subject has been prepared by Hon. Waller P. Brownlow, congressman-elect from the First District of Tennessee, and National Committee member from that State. The paper severely criticizes President Cleveland for abolishing the offices, and Secretary Francis for recommending their abolishment. Mr. Brownlow has dated it March 5 and proposes to mail it on the day of the inauguration, so the President will receive it.

HANNA'S MEN STARVING.

Forced to Mine Coal for Sixty Cents a Ton for a Year.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 20.—William Warner, Secretary of the United Mine Workers' Union, says that thirty families in the Panhandle mine, owned by Mark Hanna & Co., are starving. These, he says, are but examples of the suffering in the Pittsburgh district. Hanna's men are forced to mine coal for sixty cents a ton for a year, 10 percent of the proceeds of the coal being paid to the miners.

WANTS A RECEIVER.

A St. Louisan's Charges Against a Pittsburgh Manufacturing Concern.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 20.—A bill in equity alleging mismanagement and fraud was filed today against the Pittsburgh Granite Wool Co. and its officers by L. D. Passani, a resident of St. Louis, Mo., and one of the directors of the company. The appointment of a receiver for the concern is asked, and next Saturday is fixed for a hearing. The defendant company is charged under the laws of West Virginia, with a nominal principal office at Wheeling, but its principal place of business is in this city, it is alleged, at Zelienople. Its capital stock is \$50,000.

MAY GET ONE-FIFTH.

Receiver Holden Promises Another Payment to Depositors.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 20.—H. M. Holden, assignee of the Kansas City Safe Deposit and Savings Bank, which failed in 1893, owing over \$500,000 to depositors, \$1,750,000, filed in the Circuit Court today a report of the condition of affairs of the bank. Since the bank closed its doors one dividend of 5 percent has been paid to the depositors. Holden holds out hope that during the coming year another dividend of 10 percent may be made. The report says that the depositors will probably never get more than 20 percent of their deposits.

GREEK TAKES ALL THE HONOR.

THE ONLY POWER TO TAKE UP ARMS FOR CRETE.

ENGLAND WITH SALISBURY.

His Stand Against Germany's Desire to Coerce Greece Meets National Indorsement.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—A special cable to the Post from London says: Prince George's raid remains the one isolated success in the near East. All others have failed and failed. Greece alone has done something. As Herbert Gladstone said at last night's enthusiastic meeting at Pro-Hellenes: "Other powers have shed ink copiously. Greece came forward and shed blood for the outraged Christians." Hence, while Germany, of course, is challenging Lord Salisbury with English approval by his reported refusal to support the Kaiser's scheme of coercing Greece by blockading the Piræus.

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BERLIN, Feb. 20.—The North German Gazette, in an inspired statement, says that Germany is prepared to negotiate on the future organization of Crete, provided the Greek Government is willing to accept the Greek annexation of Crete is put out of consideration.

CANEA, Island of Crete, Feb. 20.—All the provinces of Crete have voted for the union of the island with Greece. The result of the vote will be communicated to all the Consuls in the various towns of the island.

CANEA, Feb. 20.—The Mussulmans at Retimo and Heraklion the formal occupation of the island by the Greeks have occupied their guns and returned to Canea. The Greeks are now masters of all Crete.

ATHENS, Feb. 20.—The Assembly publishes a statement regarding the occupation of the island by the Greeks. It says that he had sent an envoy to call the powers and made every effort to call the powers to his aid.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—At a dinner of the Eighty and Russell Clubs at Oxford this evening, John Morley, M. P., said: "One power that has not yet taken any action is Crete must be liberated once and for all from Turkish control, and no concern of the powers is in this respect. The powers have done nothing but the powers were powerless to do so."

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PRICES—40c, 50c, 60c, 70c, 80c and \$1.00 per yard.

Monday Glove Bargain.

Ladies' 4-button prime quality lamb skin gloves, with 2-row embroidered cuffs, all sizes, in tan, brown and black, Monday (yard) 75c.

New Ribbons.

Arriving daily. Strictly up-to-date department, most modernly equipped. Sample value:

Finest Taffeta Ribbon, every shade, 2 1/2 inch wide, Monday (yard) 21c.

New Linings.

The best are recognized as the cheapest. Most modernly arranged department.

18-inch Hair Cloth, 20c.

Black back fancy Waist Linings, 10c.

Largest assortment, up to 35c yard. Men's all-wool string Ties, for foundation, 25c.

English Wool Moreen Skirting, in changeable and plain colors, the 35c quality, Monday (yard) 25c.

Men's Furnishings.

Splendid variety of colorings, in fresh new goods. Men's Windsor Silk Bowties, 15c.

Black and white striped, 15c.

Must close out. Need room. New goods coming in. Odds and ends of Men's underwear, embracing white and colored merinos, broken sizes, worth 35c to 50c (each) 14c.

THE GREAT BARGAIN DRY GOODS CORNER, N. W. CORNER BROADWAY AND ST. CHARLES STREET.

DEATHS.

ABERN—On Saturday, Feb. 20, at 4 a. m. Michael Abern, aged 23 years; the beloved son of Patrick Abern.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, No. 164 Olive street, on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 p. m. Friends are invited to attend.

BOSTON—At 4 o'clock p. m. Thursday, Feb. 19, 1897, Orrin Boston, beloved husband of Mary Boston (nee Evans), aged 53 years.

Funeral Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 p. m. from St. Patrick's Church, 215 West 5th street. Friends invited.

FINN—On Saturday, Feb. 20, at 4 p. m. Patrick Finn, beloved son of Thomas and Bridget Finn (nee Duffy), and brother of Cecilia, Thomas, Katie, Mary, Ellen, Honora, and Peter Louis Finn, aged 13 years 3 months and 14 days.

Funeral will take place from family residence, 8720 South Broadway, Carroll street, on Monday, Feb. 22, at 2 p. m. to Mount Olive Cemetery. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

GAVIGAN—John J. Gavigan, accident, dearly beloved husband of Sarah Gavigan (nee Moran), and only son of the late John and Ann Gavigan.

Funeral from residence, 2115 Wash street. Notice of time of funeral will be given.

Cincinnati papers please copy.

GRANT—On Feb. 20, Agnes Grant, in the 79th year of her age.

Funeral will take place Sunday, Feb. 21, at 12 o'clock, from her residence, 1215 Broadway, to Calvary Cemetery. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

HORAN—Saturday, Feb. 20, at 8 a. m. Mrs. Elizabeth Horan, mother of John Horan, deceased.

Funeral to take place at 12:30 p. m. from residence, 1115 Hickory street, to Holy Cross Cemetery. Interment private.

KENNEDY—Saturday, Feb. 20, at 1:15 a. m. Catherine Kennedy, beloved wife of the late Joseph Kennedy, and beloved sister of Philip and James Russell and mother of Philip, Joseph, Lizzie and Bridget Kennedy.

Funeral from family residence, 2115 Wash street, on Monday, Feb. 22, at 2 p. m. to Sacred Heart Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

KUEHN—On Friday, Feb. 19, at 3:30 p. m. Edward W. Kuehn, beloved husband of Jennie Kuehn (nee Landman), and son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kuehn, aged 53 years.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

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BAL MASQUE.MARDI GRAS REVEL OF HIGH
GERMAN SOCIETY.

FUN WAS FAST AND FURIOUS.

Picturesque Costumes, Handsome De-
corations and Perfect Arrangements
Made Annual Event Noteworthy.High German society revelled en masque
at the Liederkranz Club last night. It was
an elaborate entertainment, picturesque,
full of movement and color and unbounded
hilarity.There was a peculiar significance about
this musical ball. It was the first public
function since the tornado of last spring,
when the wild wind did \$11,000 damage to the
club's property. All traces of the disaster
had been effaced, and the revelers, nearly
all common victims of the same cata-
strophe, danced away in utter forgetfulness
of the dreadful past.There was just one reminder of the ordeal
and that was in lack of prearranged table-
aux, always a striking feature in former
years.Though the ostentation of a Bradley Mar-
tin function was lacking there was a fund
of spontaneous good humor that money
could not buy.Mr. Louis Hammerstein, Chairman of the
Arrangement Committee, had announced
that no money would be spent on decora-
tions, and left it all to the guests to pro-
vide the picturesque features of the night.
Then, as a surprise, he provided a beautiful
frame for the carnival spectacle.When the guests entered they found the
hall all ablaze with myriad, vari-colored
lights. Passing from the night without it
was like entering fairyland.The first thing to catch the eye was the
immense polished brass chandelier pendant
from the ball-room ceiling. It was wreathed
with amaranth and hung with tastefully
selected Japanese lanterns. Several score of electric
lights shone through a variety of colored
globes in soft and harmonious color tone.Radiating in all directions from the chan-
delier were long festoons of plaited greens
in huge cables. These were picked up at the
ends around the sides and ends of the hall,
filling up the open space above the floor,
just enough to make the place look com-
fortable. In the wall panels between the win-
dows and arches leading to the alcoves were
bunches of side lights with red, white and
green globes. These were backed by radiat-
ing fan-like palms and greens.At intervals around the sides of the hall
were banks of greens and flowers breaking
in pleasantly upon the continuity of the
rows of seats provided for the dancers. At
the center of the stage, behind multi-colored
footlights, was a huge medallion of greens
with the Liederkranz monogram in gold
letters in the center. Flanking this were
banks of palms and evergreens partially
concealing the orchestra and brass band.The dining-room on the lower floor of the
building was also tastefully, though not elab-
orately, decorated with greens and colored
lights. The entire work of arranging the
hall was done under the supervision of Mr.
Louis Hammerstein, assisted by Mr. Otto
Kohle and Mr. Edward C. Beuchler.Of music there was a profusion. An or-
chestra and a brass band alternated in the
big hall upstairs and a mandolin orchestra
held sway in the dining hall during the en-
tire evening. All the musical features of
the ball were under the personal direction
of Prof. William Weil, a club member and
local musician of note.The hour for beginning was 9 o'clock, but
it was nearly 10 before the guests arrived in
any numbers. Then began a steady inflow
through the big portals, of mysteriously
hidden personages hurrying out of car-
riages with faces and costumes covered in
long dark dominoes or overcoats.The ladies scurried off to one set of dress-
ing rooms and the men to another to ar-
range their fancy costumes before entering
the ball-room.The idea of a masked ball is well carried
out at the Liederkranz. Nobody was al-
lowed on the floor before midnight unless
in fancy dress or domino and masked. This
rule was strictly enforced and the result
was a merry throng of fully dressed revel-
ers anxiously seeking to penetrate each
other's disguises and conceal their own iden-
tities. Costumes of every imaginable de-
sign were to be seen and the greatest inge-
nuity was displayed by some who sought
unique and odd effects.Yellow kids, clowns and the stock Irish-
men and Dutchmen were there in large
numbers. Many of the young men added
to the confusion by pairing off and appear-
ing in costumes identical in every detail
so that no one could tell which was who
under the most favorable circumstances.The late lamented Trilby came to life
again and sang "Ben Bol" in the most
agonizing basso, while her bewhiskered
hypnotizer vainly tried to put her under his
spell.Upon entering the portals of the club-
house under the brilliant glow of myriads
of electric lights the guests were met by
servants arrayed in German military cos-
tumes, with the high fur shakos and all
modern equipments. These personages
politely directed the guests to their several
dressing-rooms.Up to midnight the band and the orches-
tra played popular airs, and when occasion
offered special selections for parties who
had arranged special dances en masse for the
evening without previously notifying the
committee. This was done in many
instances, and several pretty and intricate
figures were danced by selected couples who
had practiced in secret for the occasion.One or two solos of the variety style were
given by gentlemen in costume, whose iden-
tity was not revealed, but whose skill at
clog and wing dancers could not for a mo-
ment be questioned.After midnight the regular dance pro-
gramme was taken up. The guests un-
masked and many doffed their fancy
dresses and appeared in the regulation
evening costume. The orchestra played the
dance music and the brass band prome-
nade music, so that there was scarcely an
interval when one or the other was not dis-
cussing.The dance programme, as originally ar-
ranged by Mr. Weil, was as follows:
1. Waltz, "The Blue Bird".....Lombard
& Lamm, Wagner, Motz.....Lombard

THE LIEDERKRANZ MASQUERADE BALL.

2. Schottische—All Coons Look Alike to Me. Hogan
3. Two-Step, Golf Club.....Barker
4. Waltz.....Strass
5. Waltz, Kaiser.....Strass
6. Lanca, Oberstlager.....Zeller
7. Polka, Gay Coney Island.....Levi
8. Waltz, Ange D'Amour.....Waldfuehl
9. Parisienne.....Gurney
10. Partisane.....Witmark
11. Waltz, La Carmela.....Witmark
12. Two-Step, Spherical Sport.....Wild
13. Lanca, William Tell.....Rossini
14. Waltz, Auf Wiedersehen.....Waldfuehl
15. Two-Step, Magare.....Rossini
16. Gallop, Home Stretch.....Hans
Extras.

This was amended from time to time by
the insertion of an extra dance by request.
After the regular list was finished a num-
ber of extras were played at an early hour
this morning, with the young folks ap-
parently as fresh and ready as at the be-
ginning.

An elaborate supper a la carte was served
in the dining-room after 2 o'clock. Light
refreshments of an endless variety were
obtainable in handy nooks and corners dur-
ing the evening and the punch bowls were
liberally, though judiciously, patronized.
The officers of the club who acted in a
variety of capacities are H. M. Starkloff,
President; J. H. A. Meyer, Vice-President;
J. W. Reinhold, Financial Secretary; Otto
Kahle, Corresponding Secretary; A. Linck,
Recording Secretary; Wm. H. Probst, Treas-
urer; Louis H. Ocker, Librarian; Edmont
Froelich, Musical Director.

Directors—L. Hammerstein, R. Quentin, A.
Lamm, P. W. Sennewald, Dr. C. E.
Schumacher, J. H. Grimm.

The Reception Committee was as follows:
Dr. H. M. Starkloff, Chairman; J. H. A.
Meyer, Roland Quentin, J. W. Reinhold,
Louis H. Ocker and Dr. C. E. Schumacher.
The Floor Committee was Mr. H. A. H.
Meyer, Chairman; A. C. Nasse, Jr., O.
Schraubstaedler, F. H. Burg, Otto Fruth,
F. G. Oeters, H. C. Hoffgren, G. Voelker,
George Zimmer.

The Arrangement Committee were
dressed as Russian Princes. The Reception
Committee were all dressed alike as
Caucasian officers in military uniform.
The Floor Committee were dressed in the
Monte Cristo dress suit of black silk and
brocade with silk stockings, silver-
buckled shoes and white powdered wigs.

Mr. A. Fuenger was on hand to adjust the
satirical difficulties of the guests.

The gentlemen who were present with
their wives, daughters or sweethearts, as the
case might be, were: T. M. Doedinger, F.
Hauseubel, R. L. Koenig, B. Kunkel, E.
N. Bloeser, L. H. Lohmeyer, George Loh-
meyer, Albert Stracke, H. Raab, E. S.
Dachsel, John Schroers, O. W. Freuden-
stein, Charles Rippe, Louis Blum, J. Trau-
miller, Herman Mueller, C. G. Rathman,
Eugene Hauck, F. W. Drosen, A. B. C.
Blawend, F. Griesedock, A. Lommers, H.
E. Nofex, G. W. Niemann, J. H. Conrad,
O. J. Wilhelm, A. Fruth, O. J. Fruth,
Arnold Kock, Albert Baum, Otto Koch, J.
A. Schultz, Aug. Walter, C. A. Stifel, Ed-
mond J. Stamm, F. Thomaus, R. Doerich,
F. E. Schinke, A. O. Westerman, C. B.
Dieckriede, Jr., and Sr., J. Walter, Edward
J. Meyer, E. P. Oshausen, Jacob Kaiser,
B. Briesbach, Louis Rosenbaum, Aug. Stein-

meyer, F. J. Karieskind, Dr. L. T. Reis-
meyer, George Enders, Aug. Gehner, A. J.
Blanke, R. H. Blanke, Caspar Stolle,
H. M. Lohmann, H. Recker, Leopold Meth-
udy, R. A. Richardson, G. Englemann, H.
Engelsmann, F. Dreidelmann, Chas. Reuss,
H. Morell, J. H. Rottmann, W. H. Rott-
mann, Albert Rehbein, Owen Miller, Emil
Clausen, E. E. Teuscher, Joe Kohn, Aug.
Waldauer, Wm. Reipschlaeger, C. Beud-
helm, F. Weiderhold, Chas. Schults, H. C.
Peltzinger, Geo. Heerich, A. Rossfeld, O. H.
Rossfeld, R. Roentgen, A. W. Lucke, Dr. H.
Bark, F. Gut, A. Teichmann, John Bol-
mann, C. H. Fischer, F. Saenger, J. H. Tro-
licht, A. H. Fischer, T. C. Meyer, Ernest
Wagner, F. E. Cramer, Robt. Herold, Thos.
Herold, Ferd. Herold, Otto Herold, L.
P. Baitinger, L. A. Fisher, F. L. Lampel,
Wm. Lampel, C. Stoffregen, H. Stoffregen,
Al Speth, R. L. Follenius, F. Fischer, F. M.
March, Jr., Henry Alt, Jr., F. M. Bollman,
O. H. Bollman, O. H. Gueher, Emil Heintz,
H. J. Flisinger, Wm. Fiesch, J. B. Schmidt,
G. O. Wippen, H. Philipp, J. C. W. Meyer,
R. Schnell, Rudolph Hartman, Jr., R. Hart-
man, Sr., Lester Wilson, J. W. Reinhold,
H. H. Hammerstein, Chas. H. Teichmann,
Wm. Gerlach, J. G. Rubelmann, E. A. Helm,
Chas. Baxter, Ernst Gaier, H. Imkamp, F.
Jacquelin, Hugo Koehle, H. A. Funk, A.
Rotty, H. Haltemann, C. D. Boisselier, Cas-
par Koehler, L. H. Burmeister, J. P. Newell,
Eugent Froelich, A. B. Schultze,
R. L. Helder, C. A. Leonhard, Sr., Jacob
Stumpf, Claus Ruyter, C. Hauck, Sr., F.
B. Schmidt, Aug. Goertz, Louis Schnell,
F. A. Baehrmeyer, Chas. E. Chapin, E. W.
Klemeyer, Frank Foster, C. M. Foster, Fred

Meisenburg, Felix Meisenburg, Ernst
Schluter, O. W. Ohrendorf, A. Wippen-
mann, Tom Meiningen, H. Roth, John
Schmedje, A. Moll, Louis Hauch, Hy.
Hauck, A. F. Strassburger, Dr. Charles F.
Blanke, Aloise Blanke, Wm. Winter, Leo
S. Rasseur, G. A. Buder, J. Mouters, Otto
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A WOMAN'S DEVOTION.

Lizzie Etting Totters Into Court to
Free the Man Who Shot Her.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Woman's devotion
was never shown more pathetically and
nobly, if she spoke the truth, than in a police
court here to-day. Tottering and weak from
three pistol wounds that the police say
were inflicted by her alleged husband, Ran-
som Botsford, Lizzie Etting secured his
release by swearing that a stranger had
done the shooting.

The woman was shot on the night of Feb.
7 at her apartments. Policeman Ott ar-
rested Botsford with a pistol at his feet.
He says that on the way to the station the
man practically confessed to having shot
his wife.

In court this morning the woman present-
ed an affidavit clearing her husband.
"I don't believe you. You are trying to
defend your husband," said Magistrate
Kudlich.

"Oh, no," said the woman, "Ransom never
shot me; that's God's truth."
"You are discharged," said the Magistrate
after a few minutes. "You are free Ran-
som," said the woman, joyously, trying to
run toward him. Her wounds and the ex-
citement were too much for her, and she
would have fallen had not a policeman
caught her. Botsford leaned over and
kissed her with tears in his eyes and the
two left together.

NEW ELECTION
COMMISSIONER.GOV. STEPHENS APPOINTS GEO.
W. JONES.

WILL TAKE EFFECT AT ONCE.

Mr. Higgins Will Take Charge of the
Excise Commissioner's Office as
Soon as Mr. Jones Qualifies.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 20.—Gov.
Stephens this evening announced that he
had decided on a successor to Charles F.
Higgins as Chairman of the St. Louis Elec-
tion Commissioners in George W. Jones,
business manager of the Post-Dispatch.
Concerning this appointment Gov. Step-
hens said to the Post-Dispatch correspond-
ent:

"Mr. Jones is the most capable and desir-
able man I could find for the position. He
is a careful and successful business man,
and I believe he has not an enemy in the
world. He has done good service in the
cause of the Democratic party, and I am
assured he will make a very acceptable
Commissioner. Mr. Jones has been my
choice for the position for several weeks,



GEORGE W. JONES.

and I would not have announced it even
at this date were it not for the fact that
N. M. Bell has left the office of Excise Com-
missioner and Mr. Higgins has been ap-
pointed his successor. Mr. Higgins will as-
sume his new duties Monday and Mr. Jones
will enter upon the duties of his office.

"I expect," continued Gov. Stephens,
"that Mr. Jones will resign as business
manager of the Post-Dispatch and devote
his entire time to the duties of his office."
The appointment does not require a con-
firmation from the Senate and becomes
therefore, effective at once.

Mr. Jones was seen shortly after the tel-
egram announcing his appointment was re-
ceived, and asked whether or not he had
expected it.

"I had an idea," he said, "that it would
be announced to-day or early next week.
I knew that Gov. Stephens was anxious to
terminate the complication in connection
with the Excise Commissioner's office as
soon as possible, and that it could be done
only by naming Mr. Higgins' successor as
Chairman of the Board of Election Com-
missioners."

"You have known for some time, then,
that you were to be appointed to this po-
sition?"

"Yes, it is about three weeks since Gov.
Stephens offered me the place, and I ac-
cepted it. But I was in hopes that the ap-
pointment could be withheld, at least until
after the primaries for the spring election.
I knew that at this time the position would
be a very difficult one for a new man, and
that it would be a disadvantage to have
Mr. Higgins relinquish the position at this
time. Besides, I wanted to give Mr. C. H.
Jones the time he requires to fill my place
as business manager of the Post-Dispatch."
"Then it is not your intention to hold
both positions?"

"No; at least not for any length of time.
As soon as my brother can find a satisfac-
tory successor, it is my intention to give
my time entirely to the duties of Elec-
tion Commissioner and to some other mat-
ters which I have in view. I may add that I am
very reluctant to take up the duties of Elec-
tion Commissioner at this time, but will do
my best to insure honest primaries and a
fair election. I will add further that it is
my intention to do my work as Election
Commissioner precisely as I would do any
other business. I am a strong partisan
Democrat (a silver Democrat, by the way),
and never voted any other ticket. I shall
not forget that I am a Democratic member
of the Board of Election Commissioners.
But I am a business man, who shall give
administration of the office. I shall know no
factions within the party, and I shall
neither favor nor oppose any candidate for
any office. As I view my duty as Election
Commissioner, it is to see that every candi-
date has fair play under the law."

George W. Jones, the newly appointed
Chairman of the Board of Election Com-
missioners, was born at Talbotton, Ga., in
1852. He received a practical business edu-
cation and began his business career in Al-
bany, Ga. He entered the newspaper busi-
ness in 1881, when he became business man-
ager of the Florida Times, afterwards the
Times-Union, which was founded and con-
ducted by his brother, Col. C. H. Jones. In
1888 he came to St. Louis with
his brother and connected himself
with the business department of the
St. Louis Republic, afterwards becoming its
business manager. He continued in this
position after Col. C. H. Jones left the
Republic in 1892, and held it until February
1896, when he resigned in order to accept
the position of business manager of the
Post-Dispatch, which position he has held
ever since.

Charles P. Higgins, the retiring Elec-
tion Commissioner, recently applied prob-
ably expressed no surprise at the
appointment.

"The selection of Mr. Jones," he said, "is
a good one. He is a fitting representative
of the substantial business element of the
community. I feel sure that he will admin-
ister the office to the entire satisfaction of
both the Democratic party and the citizens
at large."
"I am ready at any time to turn the office
over to my successor. This is to be done
will be done on Tuesday, as Monday is a
holiday. Mr. Jones will have received his
commission by this time, and at once as
commissioner before a Circuit Judge, as
the law requires. I shall resign my place
as business manager of the Post-Dispatch
and open up for business, although there
is practically nothing to do at present,
and I shall be glad to place the Post-
Dispatch in Mr. Jones' hands."

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NORTH ST. LOUIS TOUGHS RESENT AN ORDER TO DISPERSE.

ONE MAN NEARLY KILLED.

But for the Arrival of Other Patrolmen Officer Schoepferketter Might Have Been Murdered.

Patrolman Schoepferketter of the Fifth Police District discovered a dozen or more young North St. Louis toughs cussing near Broadway and Cornelia street at 7:30 o'clock last night. He attempted to disperse the crowd and a pitched battle resulted.

Con Gallagher and Barney McCarthy are the leaders of a gang of toughs who have given the police in North St. Louis no end of trouble. Their almost nightly carousals have proven a nuisance to the neighborhood and the police have attempted to break up the gang. Patrolman Schoepferketter has been exceedingly active in trying to suppress the gang, and on more than one occasion he has broken up their meetings and sent certain of their members to the police courts, where they were prosecuted for disturbing the peace.

The officer's activity gained for him the ill-will of the gang. Last night a dozen of them, with Gallagher and McCarthy at their head, began their bear cussing earlier than usual. They selected a vacant lot near Broadway and Cornelia street, on Schoepferketter's beat, as the place for their orgy. They were making the night hideous, when the policeman came along.

He did not think of their resisting and walked boldly up to the crowd and requested them to disperse, threatening to arrest them if they did not obey. They merely laughed at him. When the policeman started for Gallagher the gang pounced upon him. Security came from every direction and the officer was soon surrounded by several scores of the boys all anxious to get even for what they considered an unwarranted intrusion. The policeman had not anticipated any such attack and he was not armed. He was hit on the head and back and jumped on him. Some of the boys snatched his pistol from his pocket before he realized that he was in a bad way.

Then he drew his club and sailed in. The boys were prepared for the fight. With clubs and knives they fought valiantly but were almost overcome when they saw that the policeman was not alone. They drew their guns and charged on the crowd. The officer fired several shots to frighten the gang. Some fled, but some were prepared to do battle with armed police. The officer's club was broken and he was after a few minutes of quick work the crowd had fled, leaving the police masters of the situation.

McCarthy and Gallagher, the leaders, were in the thick of the fight. McCarthy was captured, but Gallagher escaped.

The police took McCarthy to the North End Dispensary, where he was badly injured. He had been beaten and his head was covered with blood. Dr. Randall, who dressed his wounds, said that there was a slight fracture of the skull.

Patrolman Schoepferketter did not escape unscathed. He was several times hit on the face and head and he was badly bruised on the body. He said that he felt that he had not arrived when it did the gang would have killed him.

Con Gallagher, the leader of the gang, lives on Cornelia street, between Broadway and Second streets. McCarthy is a son of Bernard McCarthy and lives at 530 Broadway. The rest of the gang live in the neighborhood. McCarthy said that he will break up the gang if it resists his action of every policeman in his district. He said that he will prefer the gravest charges possible against the boys and push the cases.

Later last night the physicians said McCarthy's wounds might terminate fatally.

DEMOCRATIC MEETINGS.

Candidates for Mayor Will Address the Voters.

A grand mass meeting of Democrats of the Sixth and Twelfth wards will be held at New Military Hall, Twelfth and North Market streets, Tuesday evening.

Edwin Harrison, Les Meriwether, E. A. Noonan and Joseph M. Brown, candidates for the Democratic nomination, will speak. So will Judge Thomas H. Harvey and Henry J. Spaulnher, members-at-large of the Democratic City Executive Committee, and Judge H. L. Edmunds and William Schmitz.

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Ex-Gov. William J. Stone, John T. Hunt and Walter Vrooman have been invited to speak.

AGAINST HER SPINAL CORD.

There Lodged the Bullet Fired Into Pauline Rosenblatt.

Supt. Otto Sutter and his assistant, Dr. A. R. Rader of the City Hospital, performed an operation on Pauline Rosenblatt, who was shot by her lover, Otto Willig, that may save her life.

The ball entered her back, fractured the fifth dorsal vertebra and entered the spinal cord. The ball was fired from a .38 Smith & Wesson revolver. The flesh was cut away and the bullet was removed. The surgeons removed the fractured vertebrae and then the bullet struck the spinal cord. The woman's body below the point where the ball struck was paralyzed. She was unable to move either leg, and she had no feeling in them. After she recovered from the effects of the chloroform administered by the surgeons, she was taken to the hospital. Sutter thinks that she will recover and have free use of her limbs.

MURDEROUS HOSTLER.

Stephen Morgan Makes Two Brutal Attacks on His Wife.

Stephen Morgan, a hostler, living at 1102 North Third street, was locked up at the Fourth District Station for attempting to kill his wife.

He came to supper last night drunk and said he was going to kill her. When she attempted to leave the room he knocked her down. Patrolman Creamer and McDonough were attracted by the woman's screams and arrested Morgan. He was released on bond and half an hour later made another murderous attack on his wife. She was badly beaten and kicked about the head and body before Patrolman Burke came to the rescue. Morgan was again incarcerated.

BOUND TO BE A SUCCESS.

Knight of St. Patrick Meet to Arrange Their Annual Banquet.

Some of the details for the St. Patrick's Day banquet were arranged at the regular monthly meeting of the Knights of St. Patrick at the Planters' Hotel last night. President P. J. Carmody occupied the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read by Secretary J. J. O'Connor.

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LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 15, 1897.

John F. Cahill, Esq., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:—I have been thinking of you ever since I wrote to express my interest in every effort made to show the Democratic nomination to the people of the United States for those who are fighting for civil liberty and the rights of the people.

Yours truly, W. J. BRYAN.

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SITUATIONS WANTED-MALE

20 words or less, 5c.

BOY-Bright boy aged 13 desires situation in real estate or law office; good references; 20 years' experience; willing to work. Ad. A 399, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER-Wanted, act of books to keep after business hours by experienced book-keeper. Ad. W 392, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER-Wanted, situation by competent and reliable young bookkeeper; excellent experience and references. Ad. N 408, this office.

BOY-Wanted, situation by a boy with some experience in a tailor shop. Ad. 218 S. 14th st.

BOY-Situation wanted by a boy for office work; experienced; will take any kind of work; refs. Ad. K 401, this office.

BOY-Situation wanted as house boy by a boy 15 years old. Call or address 1320 Pine st.

BOOKBINDER-Situation wanted by an all-around man, at the bench or as foreman; 20 years' experience; wages no object. Ad. A 401, this office.

BOY-Wanted, situation by boy of 15; work of any kind; had two years' experience in drug store. Ad. W 408, this office.

BAKER-Situation wanted in bakery; 2d or 3d place; by young married man. Address A 30, this office.

BOY-Situation wanted by boy of 15 years to learn blacksmith or machinist trade. J. Schloesser, 1439 N. 14th st.

BUTLER-Situation wanted by young colored man as butler in private family. Add. Edward, 2578 Cabanne av.

BUSHELMAN-On new or old work wants job; city or country. Ad. D 412, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER-Good bookkeeper and expert at figures desires position in any clerical capacity; best references. Ad. B 413, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER-Wanted, position by young man as assistant book-keeper or collector; experience; city refs. Ad. 314, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER-Wanted, position by young man as book-keeper; 3 years' experience; city refs. Ad. N 410, this office.

COOK-Wanted, position by first-class colored man cook; city refs. Ad. 4 413, this office.

CARPENTER-Wood German carpenter and cement worker; desires work; experienced; must have work. 164 S. 23d st.

COACHMAN-Wanted, situation as coachman and gardener; city references. Ad. B 413, this office.

CARRIAGE WOOD WORKER-All around man; wants work; city or outside. Ad. B 412, this office.

CUTTER-Wanted, situation by a first-class custom cutter; 14 years' experience; city refs. Ad. 413, this office.

COOK-All-around cook wants work; used to short orders. Ad. O 404, this office.

CHEMIST-Wanted, situation by a chemist, in manufacturing line. Ad. B 403, this office.

CARPENTER-Wanted, work at carpenter's jobbing, furniture repairing or painting; must have work; will work reasonable. Davis, 1802 Hogn st.

CHIEF-Competent, steady, sober and economical, wants situation in good hotel, restaurant or club; city or country. Ad. F 401, this office.

COLLECTOR-Wanted, bills to collect by a responsible collector; refs. and bond. Ad. O 407, this office.

COACHMAN-Wanted, situation as coachman by reliable German; first-class all-around man; knows the city; references. Ad. R 407, this office.

CLERK-Wanted, situation as night clerk by careful, accommodating middle-aged man; good in evening hotel. Ad. A 405, this office.

CARPENTER-A carpenter wants situation as foreman or at his trade for a responsible builder; will work cheap if steady. Ad. D 405, this office.

CARPENTER-Wanted, situation by a sober, experienced, practical carpenter and millwright with builder or corporation. Ad. 4228 Linton av.

COACHMAN-Wanted, position as coachman or to drive delivery wagon; will work for free rent; J. L. Mahar, 1125 Pine st.

CUTTER-Wanted, situation by first-class garment cutter, with or without try on; city or country; work's salary forfeited if not satisfactory. Ad. D 307, this office.

DENTIST-Wanted, a position by a practical dentist; twelve years' experience; have operating instruments. Ad. H 404, this office.

DRIVER-Situation wanted by experienced driver; married; worked for Transfer Co.; good references. Ad. O 411, this office.

MAN-A colored man wants to do general housework; good plain cook; would like city refs. Ad. 260, this office.

MAN AND WIFE-Colored, would like a home with private family; will work for \$2.50 per week. 4180 Morgan st.

MAN AND WIFE-Wanted, situation by wife first-class cook; man first-class cleaner and houseman; best city refs. Ad. H 413, this office.

MAN AND WIFE-Would like 2 or 3 living room; for wife to take care of place for free rent; ref. Ad. W 390, this office.

MAN-Honest, hardy in need of work, wants situation as driver or anything. Ad. T 399, this office.

MAN-Young man wishes situation; understands driving and farming. Add. Thomas Connor, 1022 Washington av.

MAN-A man wants permanent situation; experienced with horses, oxen, gardens, flowers, furniture and general outside work; city refs. Ad. L 412, this office.

MAN-Experienced houseman wants work in private family for \$5 or \$4 per week; good cleaner; best city refs. Ad. H 413, this office.

MAN AND WIFE-Wanted, a home with private family; will work \$2.50 each. W. K. 4190 Morgan st. Call me 2250.

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MAN-Wanted, to learn trade by young man; energetic and steady; salary no object. Ad. W 404, this office.

MAN AND WIFE-Wanted, situation by couple; woman as cook, man as coachman or work around place. Ad. C. O. S., 1329 Biddle, 23 floor.

MAN-Married man, been sick long time, is in need of work; would drive light delivery wagon for reasonable wages. Ad. S 407, this office.

MAN-Wanted, situation by sheet metal worker to learn electrical business; good mechanic on appliances. Ad. O 406, this office.

MAN-Sit, wanted by married man; first-class house and dining-room man; city ref.; first-class place; colored. 2604 1/2 Mills st.

MAN-Wanted, position of any kind by an honest German man; handy with tools; not afraid of work; best of references. Ad. F 404, this office.

MAN-Experienced man wants trees and vines to prune. Ad. Edward Carney, 3051 Madison st.

MAN-Wanted, situation by single German, 34, sober, industrious, as farmer, gardener or any kind of work. Ad. J. S., Globe Hotel, city.

MAN-Situation wanted by a single man; middle-aged; understands the care of horses and lawn; is willing to be generally useful; city or country; best reference. Address G 412, this office.

MACHINIST-Wants work in job shop or factory as machinist or tool maker; any kind of model or novelty work by first-class workman. Address F 403, this office.

MAN-Single young man, thoroughly competent, seeks situation as gentleman's country place. Ad. A 395, this office.

MAN AND WIFE-Couple without children want situation in private family; wife good cook; husband good houseman; best references. Ad. H-2621 Pine st.

MAN-Young gentleman, 26 years of age, of good address and first-class business experience, wishes to learn electrician's trade; city refs. Ad. D 406, this office.

MAN-Young man, 25, wants a situation of any kind; not afraid of work. Ad. K 400, this office.

MAN-A young man wants to devote about half his time to selling good line to dealers; best references. W. B. Pettit, Booneville, Miss.

OFFICE MAN-Wanted, by competent office man with 3 years' experience; city refs. Ad. N 400, this office.

MAN-Situation wanted by a single man; middle-aged; understands the care of horses and lawn; is willing to be generally useful; city or country; best reference. Address G 412, this office.

PORTER-Situation wanted as porter, coachman or as table waiter; can give best of city references. Ad. B 395, this office.

PLUMBER-Wanted, situation as plumber, gas and steam fitter; will work cheap because I must have work. Ad. F 407, this office.

PAINTER-Situation wanted by painter or grainer; can give good reference. Ad. N 411, this office.

PAPERHANGER-Wanted, employment by a first-class paperhanger. Ad. G 402, this office.

PHARMACIST-Wanted, situation by a pharmacist; registered in Missouri and Illinois. Add. B 402, this office.

PAINTER-Carriage painter wants work of any kind. Ad. J. J. J., 1706 Broadway.

PAINTER-Wanted, situation by first-class carriage painter and letterer; piece work or run the city; references. Ad. R 407, this office.

PHOTOGRAPHER-A young man, experienced, wants situation in gallery to finish apprenticeship. Ad. H 406, this office.

PHARMACIST-Wanted, relief work by registered pharmacist for one month or less; German. Ad. O 400, this office.

PHARMACIST-Wanted, relief work by German pharmacist; good credentials. Add. A 400, this office.

SALESMAN-City salesman, selling retail grocers, wants position. Ad. B 404, this office.

SALESMAN-Situation by young man as city salesman or local representative; is a member of the Merchants' Exchange and can furnish all references. Ad. G 414, this office.

SALESMAN-A young man, experienced salesman, desires to represent some firm as salesman; references; commission. Ad. Box 34, Washburn, Mo.

SALESMAN-Sober, honest salesman wants situation in groceries, meats and vegetables. Ad. L 404, this office.

SALESMAN-Wanted, situation as city salesman or collector by responsible man; refs. and bond. Ad. N 407, this office.

STENOGRAPHER-Employed mornings, would like employment afternoons. Add. D 405, this office.

TAILOR-All-round tailor wants spring job; city or country. Add. 623 Pine st.

TINNER-Wanted, situation by a tinner; city or country town; 14 years' experience; can give good references. Add. M 404, this office.

TINNER-Wanted, situation by a first-class tinner on amateur and specialty work. Ad. O 408, this office.

WAGONMAKER-Wanted, situation by a German experienced wagonmaker; sober and industrious; best of references given. Add. F 405, this office.

WATCHMAN-Wanted, situation as private watchman by middle-aged man; has best city references. Add. O 412, this office.

WHITEHEAD-Wanted, sit. by whitehead; is a good blacksmith; able to take charge of shop. Joe Dross, 2443 S. Broadway, city.

WOODTURNER-Wanted, sit. by woodturner; experienced; new man; wants work. 2741 Butler st.

YOUNG MAN-Wanted, permanent office position by young man 20; native German; well versed in bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting; best references; salary no object. Ad. J. Ochtersch, 1302 N. Broadway.

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STREETS TO BE MADE.

NEARLY A MILLION TO BE EXPENDED THIS YEAR.

THE VIRTUES OF ASPHALTUM.

Col. Butler's Wedding Present—A Big Deal—The Torrens Bill—General Real Estate News.

The Board of Public Improvements had hearings last Tuesday on a long list of street improvements, and the hearings were favorably passed upon. This means that a large number of streets enumerated below will be improved during the coming spring, summer and fall.

The lettings when made will be the most important that have been made in this city for a long time. The total cost of reconstructing the streets included in this hearing will exceed \$500,000. They are all important thoroughfares, where improvements are much needed.

In addition to this another meeting will be held next Tuesday before the Board of Public Improvements for the reconstruction of a number of other streets. These hearings will all be on board's motion and the board's motion nearly always prevails. It is certain that not less than \$500,000 more will be spent on them.

Still another hearing is to be held on a considerable number of streets in the near future, and it is probable that before the end of this year over \$1,000,000 will be spent in improving the streets of St. Louis.

This activity in street making is highly gratifying to the realty interests of the city, for no one knows better than the average realty agent what a remarkable enhancement of realty values takes place as soon as contiguous streets, alleys and sidewalks are made, and if the realty man were permitted to dictate the street department and to the Board of Public Improvements, it would be but a few years before all but the extreme suburban streets would be permanently improved.

The following are the streets, alleys and grandstand sidewalks passed upon by the Committee on Streets and Railroads Feb. 16:

California avenue between Magnolia and Shennandoah avenues, sidewalks.

North and south alley in city block 795, from Shennandoah avenue south for a distance of 136 feet, between Broadway and Seventh street, brick.

Papin street between Sarah and Boyle avenues, grading.

Cook avenue, between West End avenue and Walton avenue, brick.

East and west alley in city block No. 1840, from Twenty-fourth street westwardly for a distance of 300 feet and 130 feet south of Cass avenue, brick.

Euclid avenue, between Delmar boulevard and south line of St. Louis and Suburban Railway, brick.

Euclid avenue, between Fountain avenue and Easton; brick.

Bayard avenue, between Delmar boulevard and south line of St. Louis and Suburban Railway, brick.

Aubert avenue, between Delmar boulevard and south line of St. Louis and Suburban Railway, brick.

Newstead avenue, between St. Louis avenue and Ashland avenue, brick.

Lucky street, between Taylor avenue and Cora avenue, telford.

Lucky street, between Pendleton avenue and Taylor avenue, telford.

Taylor avenue, between Delmar boulevard and Easton avenue, brick.

Forest Park boulevard, between Vandeventer avenue and Boyle avenue, telford.

Ninth street, between Bremen avenue and Angelica street, telford.

East and west alley in city block No. 1800, from Salena street westwardly to north and south alley and between Congress street and Pottsville street, brick.

Eighteenth street, between Crittenton street and Pottsville street, brick.

Blair avenue, between Ferry street and Bissell street, telford.

Alley in city block No. 4875, from Sarah street to Whittier street, and between Washington and Delmar boulevards, brick.

Crittendon street, between Eighteenth street and Lamp avenue, telford.

Garrison court, from Garrison avenue eastward as far as open, telford.

East and west alley in city block No. 873, from Missouri avenue to Indiana avenue, and between Arsenal street and Crittenton street, brick.

East and west alley in city block No. 1860, from Indiana avenue to Jefferson avenue, and between Arsenal street and Crittenton street, brick.

Alleys in city block No. 1530, between Jefferson avenue, Texas avenue, proposed Utah street and Wyoming street, telford.

clean, and from which every vestige of dirt and filth is washed by even light rains. Not long since I drove through a district in New York city where a considerable area had been laid with asphaltum. This section is known as the most thickly populated to the square mile of any place in the world, and it is unquestionably the dirtiest district on earth. All of the filth, dirt and other filth is recklessly thrown into the gutter, and the filth is carried by the result to the health of the people would be appalling. The Street Department of New York, however, gets to work on the asphalt street every night with fire hose, and every particle of filth is carefully washed into the sewer, and the next morning the street surface is as clean and healthy as possible.

HITCHCOCK BUILDING LEASED.

J. L. Boland Book and Stationery Co. Will Occupy It.

Following the remarkable number of large down-town leases recently made by the Anderson-Wade Realty Co., they reported yesterday a most important and significant lease—important by reason of the magnitude of the deal, and significant in that it involves a change of location by one of the building's leaseholders, the J. L. Boland Book and Stationery Co.

The building leased is the handsome seven-story structure occupying the narrow block fronting Fourth, St. Charles and Vine streets, owned by Henry Hitchcock, which

and five rooms, bath and furnace to each flat. The total rental is \$2,000 a year. Kennard paid \$25,000 for this property, which was recently erected by Mrs. Emma Eysell. The latter took in part payment 100 feet of ground on the north side of Delmar boulevard, west of King's highway, for \$12,000.

Residence 2104 Washington avenue, lot 26x125, from Adolph Schmitt to Leo Kaplan, for \$7,000.

Lot 25x125 on the north side of Theodosia avenue, 250 feet east of Hamilton avenue, from H. A. Linchey to John Shaugnessy, for \$1,500.

Residence 1012 Dolman street, lot 25x125, from Depello R. Bates to Ida M. Barker, for \$4,000.

Lot 50x125, on the north side of 19th avenue, 50 feet west of Grand avenue, from Max Fritzel to Henry O. Stigmund, who was represented by Fisher & Co., for \$3,250.

CHAR. F. VOGEL. House No. 306 Cleveland avenue, just west of Vandeventer avenue, "Tyler place." A two-story and slate roof brick residence, containing nine rooms, reception hall, bath and all conveniences; lot 25x125 feet. Sold for \$7,000 from William and Julia Kennedy to Mrs. Ida Nolan for a home.

House No. 439 Grand avenue, between Carter and Florissant avenues, a two-story brick house, with frame and stone, containing nine rooms and kitchen; lot 50x125 feet. Sold for \$12,000 from Mrs. Anna Krein to John Wenzel, who purchased for a home.

Lot 75x127 1/2 feet on the north side of Dunlap avenue, between Louisiana and Arkansas avenues, sold for \$1,000 from John Brennan to John and Johanna Linkul. They intend to improve with a building for a home.

Charles F. Vogel, Secretary of the Harlem Building and Loan Association, reports that the following named directors were elected to serve for the ensuing year, viz.: Edward A. Adelson, Ernst Brunsman, Ashley Campbell, Tulisco M. Doeller, Frank O. Fisher, Louis S. Kohlbry, G. C. Napier, Lawrence

It is what a man does that is the real test of what a man is. This is particularly true of a successful physician. His education is necessarily of two kinds—one which he receives from others, and another more important one which he gives himself. It is by means of this last education that a physician can gain success, fame and honor. In its pursuit, he must be indefatigable, zealous and alert, and his researches and experiments must be of a thorough and far-reaching character. If his efforts are successful, he is able to add to the science of medicine new ideas, new medicines, new methods and new means for curing the sick and banishing pain, thereby bringing joy and gladness to those whom the heavy hand of disease has made life a burden instead of a joy and blessing.

To acquire such knowledge, and gain such fame, is the lot of but few medical men, yet there resides in Saint Louis a gentleman, in the person of Doctor F. L. Sweeney, whose reputation and fame as a physician, acquired in the foregoing manner, has not few, if any, rivals in all the land. He is a man of superior capacities and attainments, and he has during the many years he has been engaged in the practice of medicine, exercised all his talents and energies and taken advantage of all the circumstances and opportunities to advance his knowledge of medicine and surgery.

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Fame has come to Doctor Sweeney because it is deserved. He is an enthusiast in his profession, and his great scientific discoveries are merely another verification of that oft-made assertion that every great discovery is the triumph of enthusiasm.

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Fourth street property owners will look with much favor on this move, as the addition of so representative a house will exert a most beneficial effect and will add further prestige to this substantial district.

The building was placed in charge of the Anderson-Wade Realty Company only two weeks ago, and they deserve credit for having leased same so soon and Mr. Hitchcock is well satisfied with the result.

Col. Ed Butler is Building One for a Wedding Present.

Col. Ed Butler, he of political and horse-shoe fame, has just had plans drawn by Architect Alfred M. Baker for a very handsome residence, which he will, when completed, present to his daughter, Catherine, who was married last week to Mr. John J. Parle.

The residence will be situated on the south side of Forest Park boulevard, between Boyle and Newstead avenues, on a lot 40x300 feet. It will be built in the French Gothic style, of white brick, and will be highly ornamental, with handsome carved columns and stone porch. The residence will contain ten rooms, and will be finished in hardwood throughout. The parlor will be furnished in black and white, and will be a room in quarters oak, the library and main chamber in mahogany. The bath room will have marble floor and walls.

The reception hall will have an artistically designed mantle and its windows will be of beautiful art glass. The second floor will be divided into four bed chambers and the third floor into servants' apartments.

It is expected that the residence will be completed and ready for occupancy by July 1st.

ST. LOUIS PROGRESSING APACE.

A San Francisco Journalist Says Nice Things About St. Louis.

Edwin Scott, formerly real estate editor of a San Francisco paper, in conversation with a Post-Dispatch representative on the subject of opportunities offered outside capital by St. Louis, said:

"I am deeply impressed with your city from every point of view. The commercial greatness it will at no far away time vie with any other city in the world."

"Foreign capital is speedily coming to the realization of this and will shortly, I am assured, take a hand in the development of the city by putting its money in St. Louis buildings."

"Real estate interests offer the safest investment to be had here. Your realty is in fact an investment in the future of the city, and if your commercial securities, although they are good, even in the far West, are not so safe as the realty, it is a matter of progressiveness and well known, and that investments in St. Louis property are considered as capital, it is a matter of fact that they can make. You indeed have a promising future before you."

REALTY TRANSACTIONS.

Agents' Reports of the Business of the Week.

J. O'Neill, John Schroers, John H. Tomkins, Chas. F. Vogel, Frank W. Warner and Bernhard Weber.

IT WILL BE A REAL BATTLE OF THE GIANTS.

Complete Records of the Men Who Will Come Together in Carson City on St. Patrick's Day.

"On to Carson." That is the cry in the world of sport and it grows louder and louder until it is a roar sweeping from one end of the country to the other. The battle of the giants is less than a month off. Only a short while is left for the sports who are "on their uppers" to scrape together the sum needed for a long Western journey. It is needless to say that they are industriously saving and scraping together what little coin they can in order to be in Carson City St. Patrick's Day.

Nevada will, from now until after the fighters have settled the question of supremacy, look like it did in the old days of the silver fever. Gambling, dance halls and places of that sort are already springing up and when the great body of sports reaches the little city of Carson they will find the town wide-open. Every inducement will be offered for the visitors to part with their money and every gambling game from faro to chuck-a-luck will be in operation.

These visitors, may be 10,000 of them, must be cared for. Everywhere the city is a scene of startling activity. Frame shanties, dignified by the name of hotels, are constructed in a night. Lumber, lumber, lumber is the appeal that goes up from the thrifty citizens of Carson. Buildings are made hastily from boards, as free from paint as the cheek of a 10-year-old girl and equally as ignorant of a plane. Not a dollar is spent unnecessarily. It is this Boom City, this town of an hour that will welcome the lovers of pugilism on March 17.

So much for the town and the people. Now for the attraction. The fight will be under the Marquis of Queensberry rules. There is always a dispute as to the exact wording of these rules, under which all fight contests are now given, and as an aid to the uninitiated they are given in full.

1. To be a fair stand-up boxing match in a 24-foot ring, or as near that size as possible.
2. No wrestling or hugging allowed.
3. The rounds to be of three minutes' duration, and one minute between rounds.
4. If either man falls through weakness or otherwise, he must get up unassisted; ten seconds to be allowed him to do so, the other man meanwhile to retire to his corner and when the fallen man is on his feet he is to be counted and the match continued until the three minutes have expired. If one man fails to come to the scratch in the ten seconds allowed, it shall be in the power of the referee to give his award in favor of the other man.
5. A man hanging on the ropes in a helpless state, with his toes off the ground, shall be considered down.
6. No seconds or any other person to be allowed in the ring during the rounds.
7. Should the contest be stopped by any unavoidable interference, the referee to name time and place for a possible future fight, the contest, so that the match must be won and lost, unless the backers of both men agree to draw the stakes.
8. The gloves to be fair-sized boxing gloves of the best quality, and new.
9. Should a glove burst or come off, it must be replaced to the referee's satisfaction.
10. A man on one knee is considered down, and if struck is entitled to the stakes.
11. No shoes or boots with springs allowed.
12. The contest in all other respects to be governed by the revised rules of the London Prize Ring.

James John Corbett was born in San Francisco, Sept. 1, 1866. His height is 6 feet 1 inch and his fighting weight is in the neighborhood of 180 pounds. Much has been written of Corbett, the young bank clerk of Frisco, and his life is familiar to every one. Following is a list giving every battle in which he has engaged:

EARLY FIGHTS.

Won from Dave Eisman, Capt. J. H. Daly, Mike Brennan, John Donaldson, Martin Costello, William Miller, Frank Smith, Draw with Duncan McDonald.

In 1886 he was defeated in a boxing contest for the amateur championship gold medal of the Ariei Club in San Francisco by Billy Welch in four rounds.

A few months later he scored his first knock-out by putting Billy Welch to sleep in one round.

1887—Defeated Jack Burke, eight rounds. 1888—Defeated Frank Glover, three rounds.

Police interfered in a four-round bout with Joe Chynski, on May 30. June 5—Won from Chynski, Corbett 20-ounce, Chynski 16-ounce, twenty-seven rounds.

July 15—Bested Chynski, four rounds. July 25—Draw with Dave Campbell. Corbett was the best, but agreed not to knock out. Ten rounds.

1890—Feb. 15—Won from Jake Kilrain on points. Eight rounds. March 26—Spared Mike Donovan.

April 14—Won from Dominick McCaffrey. Four short rounds. 1891—May 21—Draw with Peter Jackson, Sixty-one rounds.

June 20—Spared with John L. Sullivan. 1892—6—Spared with Jim Hall. Four rounds. 1892—Oct. 8—Won from Ed Kinney. Four rounds.

March 15—Match made with John L. Sullivan. Sept. 7—Won from Sullivan. Twenty-one rounds.

1894—Jan. 25—Knocked out Charley Mitchell. Three rounds. Sept. 7—Fought six rounds with Peter Courtney for the Knetschko cup.

Jan. 5, 1895—Knocked out McVey in a three-round cable fight. 1895—Feb. 21—Could not put out Tom Sharkey in four rounds.

This is Corbett's complete record of fights. While traveling around this country and Europe he knocked out a great many "all-comers," but no records have been kept.

Robert Fitzsimmons was born in Eleton, Cornwall, England, June 4, 1862. He stands 5 feet 11 1/2 inches, and will enter the ring a shade lighter than Corbett.

He learned the trade of a blacksmith, but went to New Zealand and trawled out as a prizefighter. The records of his early fights are very hazy, but from the best information obtainable are as follows:

His first appearance was made at Timaru, New Zealand, in Jem Mace's competition in 1880, where he defeated four men and won the amateur championship of New Zealand.

Next year in the same competition he knocked out five men, among them being Herbert Blide, "The Moor."

On Dec. 17, 1888, Fitzsimmons jumped into the professional class and defeated Dick Ellis of New Zealand in three rounds. His other battles up to date follow:

1890—Feb. 10—Lost to Jim Hall, four rounds. May 17—Arrived in San Francisco. May 17—Fought Frank Allen and broke the fighter's wrist with a swinging blow in the third round.

May 29—Won from Billy McCarthy, nine rounds. June 28—Won from A. O. Upman, scoring his first knock out, five rounds.

1891—Jan. 14—Knocked out Jack Dempsey, thirteen rounds. April 28—Knocked out Abe Cougle, two rounds.

May 1—Won from the "Black Pearl," four rounds. 1892—March 2—Knocked out Peter Maher, 12 rounds.

April 30—Knocked out James Farrell, 2 rounds. May 7—Knocked out Joe Godfrey, 1 round.

May 11—Knocked out Jerry Slattery, 2 rounds. The committee appointed to look after matters in the next month.

Sept. 2—Knocked out Millard Zender, 1 round. 1893—March 8—Knocked out Jim Hall, 4 rounds.

May 2—Knocked out Warner, 1 round. Sept. 5—Won from Jack Hickey, 3 rounds. 1894—June 17—Draw with Joe Chynski.

Police interfered in fifth round. July 28—Knocked out Frank Keller, 2 rounds. Sept. 29—Knocked out Dan Creedon, 2 rounds.

1895—Jan. 25—Knocked out Con Rlordan in a boxing bout at Syracuse, N. Y. 1895—April 16—Knocked out Al Ailich, 3 rounds.

April 19—Knocked out M. Connors, 1 round. 1896—Feb. 21—Knocked out Peter Maher, 1 round.

This claims the eight-round fiasco with Sharkey, in which the sailor was given the decision after being knocked out in the eighth round.

Dittmeyer has been sick, and hope he will run in a few days again. The crowd would like to know the address of that sweet little lady Billy had at the entertainment.

Mr. Widdcomb can be proud of his lady. She's all right, boys. Did you see the President and his best lady?

The Vice-President was also seen with a very pretty miss. You're all right, James.

Mercury Wheel Club.

Election of officers for the ensuing year took place Friday. The new officers are: President, John H. Hark; Vice-President, Paul Littman; Treasurer, Phil Haberman; Secretary, S. W. Morton, Captain.

Next in order will be a smoker, to be given by the new officers. The new Captain, S. W. Morton, will make tandem riding a feature of this year's club work.

Louis Rosen has an application for another member to lay before the club. There are at least five or six prospective members who will join the club within a month or so.

Qui Vive Cycle Club.

This club went out of existence at the end of the riding season last year. A meeting was called to select officers and quarters. Last year the Qui Vives were quite a factor in cycling, giving three road races and quite a number of dances, parties, etc. Very place was quite a success.

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Arlington Bicycle Club.

George A. Davies, President, returned from a visit to Hot Springs. He is looking well and reports the weather here very rainy and rough. He met many well-known St. Louisans, who are enjoying a rest, and tells many interesting stories about them.

Henry Schrader, Secretary, has been confined to his home for several weeks with grip. His many friends will no doubt be pleased to hear that he is out again with his club.

Charles A. Fox, the brilliant young attorney, is going to buy a brand new 1897 model, and promises to fill with the club on every run during the season.

New and neat emblems will be worn by the members at all times. It is hoped the League headquarters will be at the President's meetings. Meetings are subject to call of the President, and the regular meetings will be continued as before.

Southwest Cycle Club.

The club will give a smoker next Saturday evening. The club limit has been nearly reached. Those desiring to get within the fold should make application to the measure.

The Southwest wish to state that they were the first club in the city to adopt the new regulations. This was done by their last April.

The athletic program arranged for Friday evening came off in a most pleasant manner. The attendance was good and the evening's attractions all to the visitors' satisfaction.

At the last meeting Capt. Meisner presented his schedule of club runs for the season, which was approved of by all. The

ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY HE WILL ATTEMPT TO HANG PUGILISTIC CREEP ON THE FRONT DOOR OF FITZSIMMONS' FONDEST AMBITIONS.

Not contains many old favorite haunts, and a number of new ones. Some hard riding will have to be done to take in the entire schedule.

Kenneth Cycle Club.

Capt. McBride will have a schedule of runs for the season at the next meeting. D. W. Robert has returned from Albany, N. Y., where he attended the National Assembly of the L. A. W.

The club uniforms have been somewhat neglected and at present is a little late. The committee appointed to look after matters in the next month.

The euche party of Friday evening was equal to the previous affair. The limited number of tickets kept the crowd within the club-rooms and all the more enjoyable. The ladies' prizes, a natural palm and jardiniere of artificial Easter lilies were awarded to Miss Sutton and Miss Stine.

Lepper and Al Weber carried off the gentlemen's honors. Immediately after the game Will Hatch arranged the group and took a flash light photo.

Cross Country Cyclers.

Capt. Brown called an impromptu city run last Sunday, which was much enjoyed. The gymnasium is constantly receiving donations and will soon be well equipped.

At the special meeting Monday evening the uniform of '97 was selected and will be given. The club is now in the process of raising the limit of being canvassed, but the majority are in favor of keeping the membership limit to the original plan.

Napoleon Cycle Club.

A piano is the next thing that will be put in the parlor, the club smokers having heard all the old members going to the club and the need of this drawing card is strongly felt.

The club charge is dated for Wednesday, and the entertainment committee have gotten up one of the best programs yet seen. The great and only trio, Schaler, DeBente and Shatzman will be there to entertain.

Competitive matches in bag punching, boxing and club swinging will also be indulged in.

Rover Cycling Club.

Edward S. Warner was unanimously elected to membership at the last meeting. Captain John Ladd is very busy making out a schedule of runs for the coming season. He expects to have it complete by the next meeting.

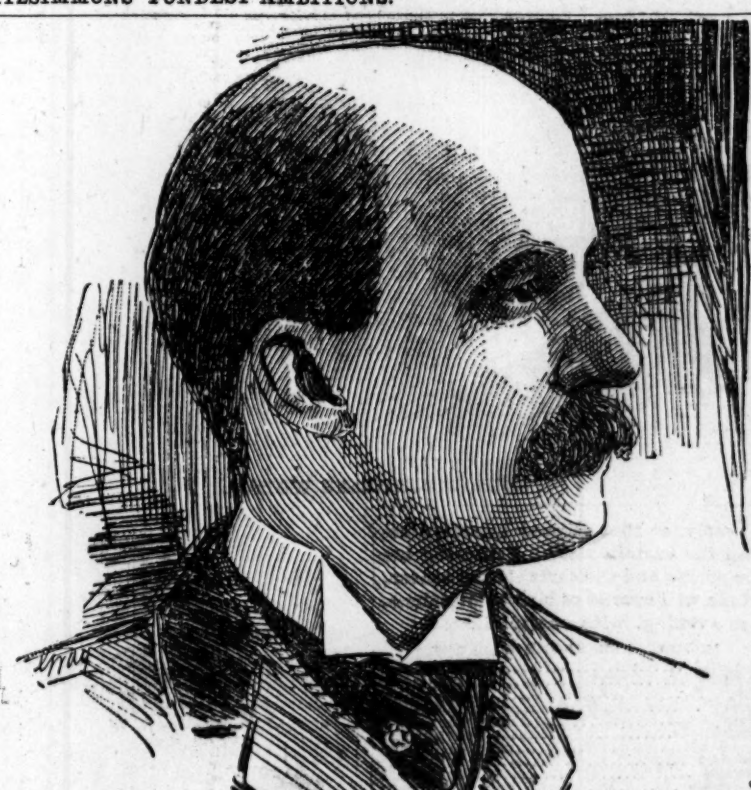
Next Saturday evening. Several musical selections and a number of educational items will be given. Cigars, tobacco and light refreshments will be served during the evening. All the friends of the Rover are cordially invited to attend and make themselves happy.

Centaur Cycle Club.

The Centaur's ball on the 26th inst. will be at hand and the members are looking for the festive occasion. Prof. Fred Goedecke has been engaged to furnish the music.

The business meeting of the club Friday night was well attended and interesting. The next meeting will be held on the 27th inst. The term of office has been shortened from one year to six months. In the election of officers, which took up the greater part of the evening, much interest was shown and this was heightened by the close competition.

Stout and J. A. Darnell succeeded themselves in the respective offices of Financial Secretary and Treasurer. By common consent the election of captain was laid over until the riding season has fairly opened.



ISAAC B. POTTER.

Isaac B. Potter, who was elected President of the League of American Wheelmen, has been prominent in the cycling world for many years. His accession to the highest office of the wheeling organization is, in the estimation of most cyclists, a fitting tribute to his efforts to procure for bicyclists what they most desire—good roads. So hard has he struggled for improved highways that he became universally known as "Good Roads" Potter. Five years ago he established an office in New York for the purpose of spreading the gospel of better roads. Thousands of draft horses in New York had their bodies ornamented with protective shields and their eyes canopied with canvas hoods. On the shields and hoods the device, "We want good roads," appeared.

Three years ago Mr. Potter started the Good Roads Magazine. He expended a large part of his private fortune in the book, and only ceased its publication when directed to do so by the body of which he is now the chief executive. The book died, but its death served to increase Mr. Potter's energy toward a more active campaign for the consummation of his pet desire. He has accomplished much good, and it was largely through his efforts that the American League for Good Roads was formed. He is an officer of that organization, and in its councils is highly regarded. For two years Mr. Potter has been chief consul of the New York division. Under his aggressive direction the division has experienced a wonderful growth, and by his efforts principally, aided by his associates, the Armstrong law, providing for the transportation of bicycles as baggage, was enacted in New York a year ago. Mr. Potter met with intense opposition in his efforts to have the law passed, but he fought and conquered the lobbyists.

New Jersey wheelmen are clamoring for a similar law, and Mr. Potter has said he will assist the riders of the "Mosquito State" in their efforts to procure the needed legislation. Mr. Potter's rise is the more noteworthy because of the intense opposition directed against him, first as chief consul and later as President of the League, by a clique of disgruntled members of his division. When he was nominated for the chief consulship of New York several thousand fraudulent ballots were printed and circulated in envelopes bearing a counterfeit insignia of the division. The genuine ballots were delayed until the "fixed" ballots were thoroughly circulated. He was elected by a large majority, despite the unfair methods of his adversaries. He has a host of friends and, like all progressive men, some enemies. The latter, however, are a homeless minority. He is an orator of ability, a parliamentarian of great force, an excellent financier and an adept politician. He resides in Brooklyn in a palatial home, which he recently constructed to harbor a pleasant little woman, who six months ago beguiled him from the ranks of bachelorhood.

If Mr. Potter's previous energetic record is a criterion the League, under his able guidance, may be expected to thrive during his reign as its President.

David T. Punch is the latest acquisition to the club and will lend his best aid for the club's advancement. A new piano was placed in the club the first part of the week and various "professors" have been busy pounding out sweet and tender music. A new acquisition to the club's aggregation of pool sharks, A. match between "The Hawk" and the winners in the South Side's pool tournament would not be a bad idea. In the last Sunday evening was a great success, thanks to the efforts of Capt. Merriek and L. W. Morse. A general meeting was present and pronounced it the best thing that ever happened. It will be repeated in the near future. George Gruenewald writes that he is prospering in his new home and well pleased with the part of the week and various "professors" have been busy pounding out sweet and tender music. A new acquisition to the club's aggregation of pool sharks, A. match between "The Hawk" and the winners in the South Side's pool tournament would not be a bad idea. 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SUSAN STRONG AS SIEGLINDE.

THE OPERA SEASON BEGINS TO-MORROW.

INITIAL PERFORMANCE WILL BE "DIE WALKURE."

DAMROSCH'S GREAT COMPANY.

It Embraces Madame Lehmann, Susan Strong, Krauss, Fischer and Other Great Artists.

To-morrow night, promptly at 8 o'clock, at Exposition Music Hall, the curtain will rise on "Die Walkure," which will inaugurate a season of one week of grand opera.

The Damrosch Opera Co. will render a select repertoire of popular operas, all from Wagner, with the exception of "Carmen," in which Mme. Calve will appear at her best.

Mr. Damrosch's company is in better condition to give Wagner's works adequately than ever before. The wonderful mechanical and scenic effects which he obtained during his visit last summer to Bayreuth will perfect the already beautiful scenery.

The chorus, drilled by Mr. Elliott Schenk, is very superior, and the well-known New York Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Damrosch himself, will render the marvelous orchestral effects in the finest manner. While the ensemble which is so necessary to the proper production of Wagner's work is of the highest order, the list of great artists is unusually large, and each is admirably suited to the roles assigned.

It has been definitely settled that Mme. Calve will not come, and her great role of Carmen will be essayed by Mme. Camille Seydard.

Mr. Krauss, who takes the part of Lohengrin, is a heroic tenor, the like of whom has not been heard for many years. The volume

of his voice is simply marvelous, and the penetrative power so great that even a fortissimo of the orchestra cannot drown it. As to its quality, the voice is flexible, of a rich metallic timbre and capable of the most delicate shading and modulation. The powerful frame of the singer and his splendid physique make him an ideal interpreter of heroic parts, like Siegfried and Tristan. Mr. Krauss is from the Royal Opera, Berlin.

Susan Strong, who is to take the part of Sieglinde, is a young American woman, of exceedingly great physical beauty and superb voice, which has had a perfect training. She made her debut at Convent Garden Theater, London, in the part of Sieglinde, in "Die Walkure," in 1886, with an instantaneous success. Critics pronounced her the greatest Sieglinde that had ever been heard in London. Her appearance later as Elza was another triumph. She then captured the critical Italians at the San Carlo Theater, Naples, also in Wagnerian parts. She then returned to her native country, with the ill-fated Mapleson company, and made a great hit as Marguerite. When Mme. Mohor Ravenstein of the Damrosch Opera Company returned to Europe, she was engaged to take her place, and since then, at each appearance, she has moved her audience to enthusiastic applause in Philadelphia, Boston and Cincinnati. During the week she will sing Sieglinde and Marguerite.

No greater Brunhilde than Mme. Lilli Lehmann has ever been seen or heard in this country, and her husband, Paul Kalisch, has been wonderfully successful in the part of Siegmund.

Johanna Gadski's Elza in "Lohengrin," and her Elizabeth in "Tannhauser," are well known and liked in St. Louis. Lately she has added another triumph to her list by her romantic and mystical interpretation of the beautiful role of Santa in "The Flying Dutchman."

Carl Sommer, the baritone, is a most excellent Vandendrieken in "The Flying Dutchman," being especially suited to romantic parts. As for Emil Fischer, the great basso, he is so well known and admired here as to make special mention superfluous. He will appear in his best roles, "Wotan" and "Hans Sachs."

Heinrich Hobbing will appear during the week as Zuzana in "Carmen" and Veit Pogner in "Die Meistersinger," and Wilhelm Mertens will be heard as Heraldo in "Lohengrin," Fritz Kothner in "Die Meistersinger," and Valentine in "Faust." Both singers are well known and popular.

The management desires it to be understood that the performances will be

gin promptly at 8 o'clock every evening, and the Saturday matinee at 2 p. m. sharp.

Patrons are earnestly requested to



EMIL FISCHER AS WOTAN.

go early, so that all may be seated before the curtain rises. Following are the operas and the casts for the season, which will consist of six performances, five evening, with one matinee:

MONDAY, FEB. 22—DIE WALKURE.

Siegfried	.....	Susan Strong
Hunding	.....	Emil Fischer
Brick	.....	Fritz Kothner
Brick	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Brick	.....	Augusta Vollmar
Brick	.....	Marie Hartman
Brick	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Brick	.....	Lena Hartman
Brick	.....	Mathilde Denner

TUESDAY, LOHENGRIIN.

Lohengrin	.....	Ernst Krauss
Ortrud	.....	Johanna Gadski
King Henry	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Tristram	.....	Carl Sommer
Heraldo	.....	Mathilde Denner

WEDNESDAY, CARMEN.

Carmen	.....	Mme. Camille Seydard
Don Jose	.....	Fritz Kothner
Micaela	.....	Johanna Gadski
Escamillo	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Zuniga	.....	Heinrich Hobbing
Morales	.....	Fritz Kothner
Don Jose	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Remendado	.....	Paul Lange
Traveller	.....	Augusta Vollmar
Mercedes	.....	Marie Hartman

THURSDAY, MEISTERSINGER.

Hans Sachs	.....	Emil Fischer
Walther von Stolzing	.....	Ernst Krauss
Beckmesser	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Precht	.....	Marie Hartman
Margarete	.....	Marie Hartman
Veit Pogner	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Kunz Vogelewang	.....	A. Lehmann
Conrad	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Fritz Kothner	.....	Wilhelm Mertens
Balthasar Zerk	.....	Carl Sommer
Ulrich Eimlinger	.....	W. Sanner
Augustin Meier	.....	A. Bartels
Herman Ortel	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Hans Schwartz	.....	F. Henn
Sane Potts	.....	Paul Lange
David	.....	Paul Lange
A. Nipper	.....	F. Otto

FRIDAY, THE FLYING DUTCHMAN.

Flying Dutchman	.....	Carl Sommer
Daland	.....	Richard Steinhilber
Senta	.....	Johanna Gadski
Erik	.....	Fritz Kothner
Mary	.....	Richard Steinhilber

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, FAUST.

Marguerite	Susan Strong
Martha	Richard Steinhilber
Valentine	Marie Hartman
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SOME OF THE NEW FACES.

Interest in Their Appearance—Mme. Lehmann's Return.

Herr Paul Kalisch, one of the first tenors of Mr. Damrosch's Opera Company, came to this country seven years ago. He was a tenor of much promise but little routine in the Wagner roles. He then married Lilli Lehmann, the great Wagnerian singer, and she realized that she would make a great Wagnerian singer of him.

This people doubted, as he had hitherto bristled his reputation in French and Italian opera, but enthusiasm and hard work have done wonders. He is now considered one of the best heroic tenors of Germany, and Munich papers, where he has just been singing, are full of the highest praise for the beauty of his singing and the intelligence and intensity of his acting. He made his first appearance in America about the middle of January in "Tannhauser."

Herr Ernst Krauss, who has taken Al-Gary's place in Mr. Damrosch's Opera Company this season, is only 23 years of age. He began his career in Wiesbaden, and Mannheim, and has been engaged for royal opera in Berlin as first tenor, taking the place of Gudehus, who is getting on in years. After a sharp success in the roles of Lohengrin, Tannhauser, Siegfried, and Raoul ("Huguenots") and Don Jose ("Carmen").

Lilli Lehmann's return, where she won her first laurels as a great Wagnerian singer, marks an interesting event in the annals of German opera. An illness at the time compelled a temporary retirement from all operatic work, but all her strength and health have returned. After a sensational success as Brunhilde at Bayreuth this summer, followed by equal successful appearances in Munich, she returns to us to renew her triumphs as Isolde, Fidelio and the Brunhildes in the Nibelungen Trilogy.

She is in the zenith of her powers, and Mr. Damrosch speaks enthusiastically of her present appearance—the beautifully modeled head, proudly set, and her brown eyes, her youthful and sparkling with life.

In Herr Carl Sommer, Mr. Damrosch has given us a baritone of first rank. He has been for several years together with Reichman, first baritone of Vienna opera. His great roles are Flying Dutchman, Valentine (Faust), and Carmen (Carmen) and Wotan (Walkure). He is to appear in all of these roles during the present season.

THE SOCIAL FEATURES.

The Floral Decorations—Refreshments to Be Served Between Acts.

A number of prominent citizens have engaged boxes for their friends and visitors during the opera season. The accommodations for ladies have never before been so pleasant and convenient. The cloak rooms will be well cared for, and the ladies receive every attention possible when preparing to leave their heavy wraps and put the finishing touches to their handsome toilets before entering the Music Hall to meet the gaze of every opera glass in the audience.

The foyer will present a very attractive appearance decorated with plants and gay flags of the German, French and American nations. The decorations are under the supervision of Mrs. Charles S. Tausig, Mrs. Oscar Herz and Mrs. Frank Gallenle. A brilliant scene will be presented as the promenaders take possession of the foyer between the acts. Handsome men attired in the regulation evening dress, of black with spotless linen, presenting a vivid contrast to the brilliant colors, gleaming

jewels, fair necks and rich fabrics of the ladies' open toilets.

A new feature will be presented which will add greatly to the sociability of the occasion in the serving of refreshment between acts, which will be a new departure in St. Louis.

Among those who have boxes for the season and special nights are: Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Busch and their charming family. The ladies of this family always appear in grande toilette at the opera and are present every evening. The Busch box is D, on the right.

Mr. W. J. Lemp has taken box C, on the right, which will be filled with his family. Mr. Charles Clarke and wife have secured box D, on the left, which will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and their friends every evening during the week.

Box E, on the left, has been secured by a Mr. Thatcher of Denver, Colo., who telegraphed for it some time ago. Mrs. John Salston and Miss Marion Salston, who are his friends, will occupy the box as his guests.

Mr. Z. W. Tinker has secured box C, on the left, where his handsome young wife will doubtless be one of the handsomest ladies in the house.

Others who secured seats a long ways in advance to see their favorite opera are Mr. and Mrs. John D. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Knox, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Tausig, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Wall, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Little,



MME. CAMILLE SEYDARD, WHO WILL SING CARMEN.

Dr. and Mrs. John Green, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. E. Berkey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aull, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKittick, Mrs. Charles Tracy, Miss Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Tiffany, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Herz, Messrs. Theo. Papin, J. Wallace Simmons and Will Haartlick, who will accompany a party of eight. There will be a number of other prominent people present who have not given their names for publication.

A Relic of Prentice's Journal.

To the Editor of the Sunday Post-Dispatch.

Dear Sir: In looking over some old papers a few days ago I found the enclosed, with the letter herewith attached, from Charles Todd, who died few years ago, and who was well known to all St. Louisians. It was a man of recognized literary taste and occasionally would repeat this poem to a few intimate friends.

The writer of this was so much entertained on hearing Mr. Todd repeat the lines that he asked him to write them out for him, which he did. I think the poem will interest many of your readers, and therefore I thought to give it with the request, if you think proper, that you publish it. Yours truly,

C. R. G.

"THE STAB."

On the road, a lonely road.

Under the dead white moon.

Under the jagged trees he strode.

He whistled as he shifted his weary load;

Whistled a thoughtless tune.

There was a step, timed with his own—

A figure that stooped and bowed.

A cold white blade that in the moonlight shone

Like a splinter of daylight downward thrown.

And the moon went behind a cloud.

The moon came out so bright and good—

The barn fowl woke and ruffled his feathers in drowsy mood.

And the brown owl called to her mate in the wood—

That a dead man lay in the road.

The above appeared many years ago in the Louisville Journal in Prentice's time, and was suggested by the finding of a dead body of a pack peddler in a road running through a thick wood a few miles from Louisville. The victim was stabbed in the back and was supposed to have been on his way to Louisville to replenish his stock of goods. It being summer and moonlight he pursued his journey at night. The author was a young man who died early and whose name I have forgotten.

C. TODD.

Another Romance Spoiled.

A very ardent young man who resides in the West End had been paying assiduous attentions to a beautiful young lady in the same section of the city for several months. Finally they quarreled and she threw him over the dashboard.

He was desperate, "and get shot!" he exclaimed, as he left her presence, "and get shot!"

Later he thought better of his terrible threat and went down town and got "half shot."

Sufferers from Coughs, Sore Throat, etc., should try "Brown's Bronchial Troches."

How Japanese Tailors Work.

A Japanese tailor makes the lining to a garment first, and cuts out the cloth from it as a pattern.



CARL SOMMER IN "THE FLYING DUTCHMAN."

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FRANCES' FERTILE FANCY.
A Lass of Twelve Invents a Story of Cruelty and Woo.
Frances Hoppe is only 12 years old, but she has an imagination that, properly applied in the field of fiction, would earn her laurels and fame. Frances was found wandering about Cote d'Azur avenue late Monday night by a policeman, who forwarded her to the Four Courts.

AFTER THE ROAST.
From Truth.
After the sunshine, rain;
Darkness after the dawn;
Fitting our song's refrain—
After the roast, the bath.
Mixed in the sweetest cups
There is of evil a dash;
Paths have their downs and ups—
After the roast, the bath.
Vain is it, then, to boast;
All but the blind and rash
Know that the festive roast
Leads next day to bath.

Smouldering fires of old disease
lurk in the blood of many a man, who fancies himself in good health. Let a slight sickness seize him, and the old evil breaks out anew. The danger is the taking of medicine that suppresses, instead of curing disease. You can eradicate disease and purify your blood, if you use the standard remedy of the world.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

THE YOUNGEST BARBER.
He is Willie Camborn, and resides at Uniontown, Ky.

Probably the youngest barber in the United States is Master Willie Camborn of Uniontown, Ky. Although only 11 years of age, he holds the second place in his father's shop, and this little barber is said to be a shaver par excellence.

He has scraped as many as fifteen men in one day, which number is considered surprising for one so young.

The traveling man who discovered Willie, and who wrote to the Post-Dispatch concerning him, said in his letter:

"I was lucky enough to get a shave from this miniature barber, and, being a traveling man, can say with experience with good reason, that I never got a better shave



LILLI LEHMANN AS BRUNHILDE.

PAGES 25-30.

DEAD BODIES MAY BE TURNED
INTO BEAUTIFUL STATUES.A Startling Discovery Made by Accident by
a St. Louis Electro-Plater.C. H. Mott's Chemical Secret Which May
Revolutionize the Embalming
Industry.First Tried It on a Dog, Then on a Human Body
With Surprising Results—The Possible
Effects of This Discovery.

A St. Louis man has stumbled—largely by accident—on a most surprising discovery—one that, if followed up, promises to revolutionize the embalming industry.

It will even make it possible for those who would have their beloved dead ever before them, to accomplish this and preserve the actual bodies, as in life, with every lineament standing out distinctly, even to the hair, in the shape of statuary.

Then, indeed, one might say, with the Psalmist, "O, grave, where is thy victory? O, death, where is thy sting." The moldering clay, the decay and corruption, all that is horrible and repulsive in the idea of death will be removed.

The discoverer is C. H. Mott of the Mound



C. H. MOTT.

City Plating Works, 811 North Second street.

Mr. Mott has discovered that bodies may be electroplated, thereby arresting the process of decay, and turning the corpse into a handsome piece of gilded statuary.

Mr. Mott is a modest man. He is averse to talking of his marvelous discovery. He has ceased experimenting after demonstrating the success of his discovery, and will not pursue it to fortune. He is averse to the story being given to the world. He has a good thing and does not know it.

As stated, Mr. Mott made the discovery partly by accident. He is an electro-plater and for years has been experimenting more from curiosity than anything else. One day he tried electroplating a small dog, with a strong electric current. The result was that he had a finely plated hound. The glad hand is all right, but a gold hand is somewhat out of place. Mr. Mott proceeded to remove the polished covering by acids. It was some time after this that a small dog, between which and Mr. Mott there was a mutual affection, swallowed a "button" in a moment of inadvertence, and gave up



THE ELECTRO-PLATED FIDO.

the ghost. He began to study out some method by which he could preserve him. He thought of having him stuffed by a taxidermist, but remembered that he had seen feathers a way that he discouraged him. Then the plating idea popped into his head. He tried it on a piece of common salt pork, and it was a failure. The nickel wouldn't stick to the pork.

After numerous experiments he fixed

upon a solution—he will not tell what that is, it's the secret, the whole thing—and bathed, and presto! change!

When he drew it out there was a glittering piece of nickel as bright as the Powers on the slipper of a Princess.

Now was the work of the solution, arrange a pose of limb and head and suspend to a high voltage for a little over a quarter of an hour and with expectation at a fever

"You know something of the wonders that have been wrought by electricity," said the electrician, "the process of plating anything or everything is very simple. Indeed, Bill, the entry of an Angelo or a Powers, the metal from copper wire so that it hangs under the water, and a few inches of electric current will do the trick. Turn on the current and the result is assured."

"Now to get back to the story of my sensational discovery."

"To say that I was startled," said Mr. Mott, "surprised and dumfounded is drawing it mild. There stood the dog with that same wistful, inquiring look upon his face that only a live cur can assume."

"Come here, look at him now!" and Mr. Mott led the way to his private office and life, the entry of an Angelo or a Powers, every lineament, every hair true to nature."

"The success I had with Fido," said the electrician, seating himself, "set my brain going. If the scheme will work with the lower animals why won't it prove successful with the human family? Was the question that continually occupied my mind. To think with me is to act."

"Now, I have a friend who is at the head of one of the largest medical colleges in the city. I will merely call him Professor, for he asked me to promise upon my word of honor to not reveal his name on account of the great favor he did me. He loaned me a little negro baby boy that I have immortalized in nickel."

"He must have died suddenly—croup or something—for he was fat as a Cupid, and his little black cheeks were round and full—he was just a pretty little angel painted black, and didn't look like he was dead at all."

"The Professor gave him to me, so I bundled him up and brought him here and with results equally successful as I met with in the dog's case. I forgot to mention one very important procedure in plating 'Little Black Angel,' for that is his name now, when I was telling you about 'Fido.' I had to seal him hermetically for not a particle of air could be allowed to enter internally. The acids of which the bath is composed would destroy the structure, and there would be nothing left to build an angel on."

"After that the same process as that employed on the dog was used. Every vein, every muscle, even to the kinky hair, remains as completely outlined as in any babe that ever breathed the breath of life. That same wistful, inquiring look upon his face and the eyes; all they want is a little lustre, a little spark and you have life itself!"

"If his poor black mamma could see him now, stand him on the mantel where she could look at him all day long, she would not be vain enough to wish him back to life. His very image was enough."

"I hardly ever grow sentimental, but I have buried little ones myself, and if I could call back the past I would surely change

A PUBLIC BILLIARD ROOM
FOR ST. LOUIS LADIES.

Here Is a Brand New Idea Which No City in America Has Yet Attempted.

St. Louis is to have a public billiard room for ladies. A place where any woman can go in unattended and get a game at any hour of the day, just like the men.

It will be the first venture of the kind on this continent, and, in fact, as far as known, Europe only possesses one, and that is in Vienna. Of course, in club rooms and at summer resort hotels there are billiard rooms for ladies, but a public billiard room is quite an innovation.

"Did you say there was some thought of opening a billiard room in the city for the exclusive benefit of ladies?"

Hearing this question put by a pretty young girl to the young fellow with her as

urries necessary for billiard rooms that will attract ladies who have leisure and inclination for such recreations and amusements.

I suppose you would have cigarettes and refreshments for those who desired to indulge in such a mild form of dissipation?"

The proprietor, or rather the future proprietor of the ladies' billiard room, looked rather shocked at this and made no answer. It is hardly probable that there will be cigarettes and refreshments within easy access of the billiard room, however indispensable men regard these luxuries as adjuncts to the game, since ladies hardly ever indulge in such habits publicly, although it is whispered by the wise gossip that more than one lady and beautiful member of exclusive society sets indulgence in a little smoke now and then. In fact, the writer was



THE LADIES WILL SOON BE WHILING AWAY THEIR LEISURE HOURS AS THE MEN DO.

I stood upon the rear end of a west-bound car one evening during the past week. I immediately felt interested to know what the billiard room for ladies would be like. Knowing that there are no billiard rooms for the exclusive use of ladies in the large cities of the United States, I began to wonder if some enterprising member of the St. Louis world meant to get ahead of New York, Chicago, San Francisco and all the other enterprising cities.

I was so interested in finding out the truth of the matter that I was bold enough to ask a few questions of the parties referred to, and in the way came upon the source of their information.

"Yes, it is true that St. Louis may soon have a public billiard room for the exclusive benefit of the fair sex. A place where they can go when tired and nervous from the trials and duties of the day, and enjoy a half hour's amusement. Where they can stop and rest a half hour's chat over the pretty little ivory balls, just like the men do, and have done for ages."

"Won't it be lovely," said one enterprising young woman, "to come home a little late for dinner, and tell one's husband, 'I am so sorry dear, but I stopped for a little game of billiards with my friend Mamie Jones and got to playing and forgot that it was anywhere near the dinner hour.'"

The young women who have been acquainted with the billiard room for ladies since its inception are really enthusiastic. A lovely idea and will doubtless patronize the billiard room well when they are really tired and nervous from the trials and duties of the day, and enjoy a half hour's amusement. Where they can stop and rest a half hour's chat over the pretty little ivory balls, just like the men do, and have done for ages."

"How did you hear about it?" asked the little man, smiling.

"How much truth there is in the report."

"Well, I have such an idea, but have said very little about the matter so far. I haven't rented the rooms, indeed I haven't located them as yet, but I believe it is a good scheme, and I am going to put it through."

"Do you intend to locate your rooms in the East or West End of the city?"

"I had thought at one time of furnishing the top floor of the Mississippi Valley Trust Co. building and using that, but the rent was too steep for an untried venture of any kind, so I gave it up and concluded to try to find suitable apartments in the West End."

"Ladies love sport of all kinds so much now and indulge in so many amusements that it is to be considered improper that I believe a billiard room would be well patronized."

"What first put the idea in your head?"

Mr. Black, I noticed that the ladies in Vienna had such a place when I was there last summer, and that they were fond of playing and stopped in their billiard rooms and played just as the men do here day after day."

"Are there public billiard rooms in Vienna for ladies?"

"Yes, and I think they are the only ones in any city in Europe or America so far as I know. It is more for ladies of money and position than any others, for they have leisure and time to spare, and they often find it a little recreation, stop in the billiard room and play a game of billiards and then go shopping."

Mr. Black's idea is to get some suitable apartments in an attractive location and to fit them up with all conveniences and lux-

WHY TOMMY DIDN'T
FEEL WELL.A CLEVER LITTLE GIRL TELLS A
FUNNY STORY OF A BAD
BOY'S TRIBULATIONS.

Yes, Tommy was sick; poor little Tommy, with the tatty-colored hair and freckled face! He was strangely pale and his lips

twisted nervously. There was no doubt Tommy was sick. He did not feel well.

He did not care to sit down, as most boys do when they are feeling bad. He just stood around sullenly, almost like, with a "vacant lot" expression in his eyes, and if one of us asked him a civil question he scowled and said:

"Don't you get personal, see?"

The truth of the matter is this: Pa was called to town hurriedly to see about buying some horses and the only horse in the barn was Bill. Bill was Tommy's own piece of property and when we wanted to use Bill we had to ask permission of Tommy first.

Pa surely couldn't have known about this. At any rate he said nothing whatever to Tommy about it.

Now, Tommy had made an arrangement for Bill himself. He wanted him to go to a "dahn" party that very afternoon. As I said before, Tommy was sick. He did not care to sit down, but I must go back to the first.

Pa told Tommy to saddle up Bill, and he went out looking rather pleasant. Ma said Tommy was getting very obedient of late, but Pa said nothing.

As Tommy hung the saddle over Bill's back with one hand, the other reaching into a barrel of walnuts that stood near by and quickly inserted a walnut between Bill's side and the saddle. Bill didn't know it.

So Tommy brought him up to the gate and Tommy's face wore such an honest Sunday-school expression that his father hurried nothing wrong. Pa came out in a hurry and Ma called after him not to forget her letters that he was to mail the very first thing after he got to town, giving him strict orders not to carry them around in his pocket all day and forget to mail them at all. I knew they were in Pa's other coat, but I kept quiet, and so did Pa.

After he had started Tommy went into the house to see if he could carry in some wood or do something for Ma; he seemed so anxious to work for some reason. Ma didn't understand it then, but she does now. He could carry better. Anyway, Ma said he could carry in all the wood he wanted.

Now, about this time Bill thought there was something wrong with Pa, and he thought the same of Bill. They could not agree somehow, and when they were going around the bend in the road they suddenly agreed to part company. (I guess Pa agreed.) Pa went in the air rather sudden, and Bill made up his mind to come home. Pa walked back.

Tommy was a splittin' wood for Ma about this time. Bill spotted it all, for he waited for Pa at the gate, and then Pa looked under the saddle and found that innocent little walnut. He didn't say anything. Oh, he never said anything, but he felt that way. He just split kindlin' wood over Tommy's well, over Tommy—until there was a big enough to last a week.

Ma never found out about the letters, for Pa decided not to go to town. He didn't feel well, he said. The matter was settled. Neither did Tommy.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

THE OLDEST WILL.

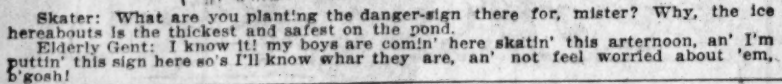
The antiquity of legal methods is curiously illustrated by the recent discovery of the oldest will extant. This unique document was unearthed by Prof. Petrie at Khum, Egypt, and is at least 4,000 years old. In its phraseology the will is a singularly modern in form, and it is said that it might be admitted to probate to-day.

Not Much Left to Lose.

The sea was pretty rocky, and the ship was leaning against the rail. "Be careful," cautioned an officer, "or you will lose your balance." The passenger went through two or three spasms. "Well," he replied, "if this thing keeps up there won't be much balance to lose."

PAPE AND THE HORSE PARTED COMPANY.

A JUVENILE RENDEZVOUS.
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Not one of the crowd of citizens getting their mail in the little post-office at Bad Man's Town realized that it was St. Valentine's Day, and probably none of them would have known it if the Postmaster hadn't remarked, as he handed out a small pasteboard box to Fancy Charley:

"Charley, to-day is Valentine's Day, and I'll bet the drinks some one has sent you a valentine."

The box he held in his hands had two postage stamps on it and was postmarked "New York, N.Y. 10011." He looked at it curiously and turned it over and over in his hands and studied the address. "What a crowd," he murmured around him and exclaimed: "What a crowd!"

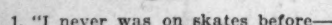
"Do you critters remember that leele black-eye skule? That leele skule that was a big about a 'yars ago'?"

The one that nearly busted yer heart by refusin' me," asked Grizley. "George."

"That's the one," said the other excitedly. "The same little skulekram! Boys, durn me if that leele gal hain't suddenly dismembered that leele skulekram and give me this valentine to show it! No one else would send me one, and it's her writin as plain as day!"

With trembling hands and blushing like a girl, he tore open the envelope and drew

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choolboy, Charley untied and opened the little box and disclosed to the envious crowd a single paper. There was nothing handsome or expensive about it, for the price-mark, 4 cents, was plain to be seen, but if it had been a nugget of gold weighing half a ton it couldn't have pleased him more.

"Hain't she a daisy, boys?" shouted Charley, as he capered around the room, hugging his precious missive. "And hain't the kette kulemarm a daisy, too?"

He opened the box for another look at the treasure, but he discovered a note underneath it, and handing the latter to Grizzly George, he said:

Read this yere letter from the skule—
—read her right out loud so we all
hear what she says, fur durn me if I
named o' it! Whoop! she's probably writ
as she can't live two days longer with
out me!"

"C-Charley," stammered Grizzly George,
after glancing over the letter, "ar you ac-
quainted with a widdier named Jones?"

"I ar. She's a p.zen, hump-backed, squint-
ing ole critter, ninety-yars old and got
seventeen children. Never mind her, but
read us the letter."

"Charley," continued the fish-waiter, "note in his hand, 'you needin' be in no hurry about this, I reckon, and the skule-marm ain't hurtin' herself a-waitin' fur nothin' but that valentine ar' from the redder named Jones with seventeen children, and she wants to know'—"

But Fanny Charley, with pale face and drooping jaw, held up a hand to interrupt him, and then turned to the crowd to plaintively say:

"I want yeto do me a favor, boys. Take me out and dump me on the fust train that turns along, and tell tne conductor that I want to ride a thousand miles away from Sad Man's Town and the Widder Jones and er durned 4-cent valentine!"

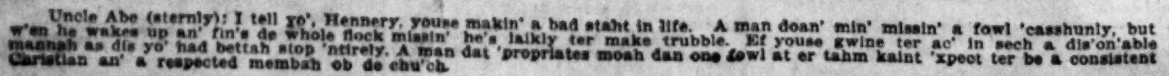
He wrote his girl a valentine
(He's not ashamed to tell it).
His love is in a business line,
And afterwards he'll sell it.

INSINUATING.

Miss Lovelorn: What disgusting comic valentines they have out this year.

Miss Caustique: No doubt you are well acquainted with them.

PATERNAL ADMONITION.
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"I heard the porter tell the conductor about the telegram, then two doctors in the train came and began to work with me. They said I could live but a few hours at most, and that it would require constant applications of whisky to keep me alive until we reached Sacramento. There must have been enough whisky on that train to stock a saloon.

"At Sacramento the telegram of my friend was received, and I heard the con-

A black and white illustration of a man in a hat and plaid pants, swinging a pickaxe. He is wearing a dark vest over a light shirt and has a determined expression. The background is simple, with a few lines suggesting a landscape or structure.

"Making his mark in the world."

The most patient man on earth and the most uncommunicative is the cracker of Florida.

I employed one to go with me and carry my gun and a dog. I had been informed that there were plenty of the animals near a certain swamp. I accosted a negro.

"Is it informed that there are deer in this section?"

"Yaas."

"Are there?"

"Yaas."

"Can I hire you to carry my luggage?"

"Yaas."

We got ready and I asked:

"What direction?"

"Don't keer."

We tramped all day, cracker carrying the trail. I was not saying a word. We camped out at night, the cracker building a fire and cooking supper. The next day we found no more deer, and still the cracker said nothing. That night I asked:

"How soon do you think we will find any?"

"Never."
"I thought you said there were plenty?"
"Not hyar."
"We were awrath?"
"Totter side swappin?"
"Why didn't you say so long ago?" I asked.
"Yo' never axed me."
The next morning we retraced our steps and two days later reached the other side of the swamp without another word from the cracker. We had not been there an hour before I killed a fine buck, and we secured a couple of beautiful beautiful bunting ground and I was surprised to suddenly come upon a large residence.
I could not understand how the deer arrived so close.
"Who lives there?" I asked the cracker.
"The Simmons."
"Who is he?"
"The man with this park and these

A DESPERATE STRAIT.

"I am star-r-ving!" she moaned. She was young and pretty and nicely dressed. She was in the midst of plenty, too.

"Oh!"—
She knit her arched brows

—“why was I—a woman—such an imbecile?”

She clinched her tapering fingers until her pink and manicured nails left little crescent indentations in the smooth palms.

—“as to expect to be waited on as soon as a gentleman in this quick-lunch restaurant, where there are only—girl waiters!”

HIS SACRIFICE.

Into the eyes of his bride, "I have often heard you say that there is no true love without self-sacrifice. You have taught me this great truth, and now I am going to prove my love by giving up something that has been very dear to me for years. You know how fond I am of smoking. Well, dearest, I am going to abandon the practice,

4. —contortionist; so—

At this point his emotion apparently overcame him, and he looked down at the sweet face, expecting to see there appreciation of his noble resolve, but he saw only a look of blank astonishment.

"What is the matter? Are you not glad that I am following your teaching?" he asked.

"It's not that," she answered, almost sobbing. "Never mind what it is," and she rushed from the room.

The self-sacrificing hero smiled. He needed no explanation. He had learned from his wife's dearest friend that she had set her heart on buying a hat, a couple of boxes of cigars covered with lovely silver paper wrappers, and a picture in the middle. And that is what gave birth to his noble resolution.

Oh, Choslephine! oh, Choslephine! jist on d'
quiet, say:
Now ain't y' kind o' stuck on me? I won't
give youse away,
So don't be skeert t' tell me, fer I'se dyin'
fer t' know—
— d' love ain't y' now me Chosle-

Say, Choe-Cho, d' y' mind d' time d' foiet
time wot we met?
Me wit' a gang o' Indians—chee, I kin see it
yet!
Down be d' old park pier we was, all stand-
in' in a row.
When youse went waltzin' by, so gay, me
Chosiephine, me Cho.

An' left dere but a lump o' lead 'r else a
sidewalk brick.
An' den d' night—d' time we went t' take in
dat new show,
Dere wasn't one bang in it wit' me Chosie-
phine, me Cho.
An' den d' time t' Daly's dance—y' want

An' spieled t'rough all d' ef'nin' wit' d' guy
wit' red-hot hair.
An' me a-huntin' all around, a-huntin' high
an' low.
An' we'n't I broke up?—Oh, no! me Chos-
ephine, me Cho.
But now gw'an, ah say, gw'an, ain't youse
a little wit?

Oh, Chosiephine! oh, Chosiephine! oh, Chosiephine, me Cho!

JOHN HILLYER LEWIS.

Miss Lovelorn—Mr. De Garry wouldn't give me a penny for my thoughts.
Miss Caustique—No doubt he wished to keep it to buy a valentine for you.

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1. Going to the German picnic.

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"It stopped at a small hotel in South Carolina," said a traveling salesman. "The hotel was not meal is served with rice, white potatoes and corn. In the country, however, as I am not fond of rice, I would not eat my diet was exceedingly slim, especially as I had been eating a very good meal at the hotel, since I had been served with beefsteak and potatoes."

"Our house had a good customer in the town," he continued. "I had a large bill of goods. I could eat nothing at supper, but I had a very good dinner. The landlord had tried to poison me, but there was nothing that I could eat. After that I was very hungry."

"I wish, ash, you'd go o'vah to the store with me, sah."

"You're wondering what he could want and he took me over to my customer," he said to the plainclothesman. "I said to the traveling merchant, 'this is the fellow who has poisoned me last night. He didn't eat no supper and he didn't eat no dinner. He was very hungry and he didn't want to go away from my hotel hungry, and I want you to give him all he can eat, and I'll give you a bill for it.' So I said, 'eat, eat' and he left."

"What did the merchant order?" asked the plainclothesman. "Crackers, cheese, sardines and corn. I have a lot of corn, but I don't want to eat it, so if you can't eat them you can stove 'em. I said, 'I don't want no corn. I had not eaten at the hotel, so I told him I was not eating, and he did not want to eat, then introduced me to you.'"

"Well, ash, I have dealt with your folks quite a while, and I know you are a good and honest man down South. I will give you a bill for what we live on. And from that day to this he has never bought a bill from my firm."

He was a hobo. The fact was emphasized by every line of his face and every crease of his dilapidated garments, as he approached a fruit man standing on Broadway.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I am a tramp."

"I never saw any better days, and am not expecting any assistance from friends. I have no relatives except a brother and he is in the penitentiary. I am not hungry, because I just robbed a free lunch table. But I am looking for a silver dollar, and if I find it I'll start a first-class saloon."

"You mean you will start for a saloon," suggested one.

"No, I am not lying to you. I would if I would do me any good, but just now it is to my advantage to tell the truth. If I get the dollar I will start for it, I'll buy a saloon and show the man who robbed me."

"Your story is worth a dollar," said one of the men. "Now how are you going to start the saloon?" and he handed the tramp a silver dollar.

"Just my luck, gentlemen. This dollar was coined in 1876. I am looking for one coined in 1864, for which I have a standing offer of \$1,000. I will drown my sorrows in drink."

AN HONEST VALENTINE.
 (The Only One on Record.)
 I love you for your precious self,
 Dear heart;
 I love you for your father's pelf,
 In part.

Let's hitch!

If I were rich as Croesus old,
'Tis true,
With joy I'd share my hoard of gold,
With you.

That this is fact I'm sure you know,
So why should you with cash to blow.

So be my valentine for aye,
Sweet May,
And do not wait a single day,
I pray.
Who cares if people carp or croak?
Come, live with me in Hymen's yoke,
I'm broke! **EARLE H. EATON.**

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FOLLY SMILES AND BRINGS US JOY."

WASHINGTON'S FIRST BIRTHDAY.



"It's ah twelve-pound boy, Massa Washington!"

—From Truth.

UNEXPECTED CHARITY.

From the Detroit Free Press.
"We got such a good joke on papa," said one bright-eyed girl to another on a Third avenue car. "You know he got to feeling very poor last fall, owing to the hard times, and one evening in the early winter when two of the boys were calling on me he told them in his joking way that if they came very often he would have to charge them for fuel. When he had left the room the boys said they would have some fun with him. One of them got a little savings bank at a toy store, and every time he came he would put 10 cents into it. The other boys who called were told about it, and they joined in the fun by dropping a dime in the bank whenever they came for an evening's visit."
"Well, it has been a pretty lively winter, you know, and one evening last week four of the boys called together, and someone proposed that we open the bank and count the contributions. We found just about enough to buy a ton of coal. I got papa to come into the room and one of the boys presented the money to him in a pretty little speech. Papa was surprised, of course, but he took the money and thanked the boys very nicely for it."
"But what did he do with it?"
"Why, he bought a ton of coal and had it sent to an awfully poor family he had just heard about. So you see, the boys had their fun, the poor folks got the coal, and we're all feeling just splendid over it."

ARTFUL HENRY!

She was waiting for him.
Gathering her brows like gathering storm,
Nursing her wrath, to keep it warm,
and when he entered the room she began:
"This is a nice time of night."
"—er—know I'm late," he hastily inter-
rupted. "But I couldn't help it, my dear."
Club had—big discussion on female beau-
ty. "And what had you to do with that?" de-
manded the fretful wife.
"More'n any one there. I was the one—er—
who had the most beautiful wife, an'—er—
course, the best authority on female beauty,
an'—"
"Why don't you take off your overcoat,
Henry? Let me get your slippers for you."

A MOMENTARY CONVERT.



Wreck Blanchard (Sunday A. M.): Hear dose hymns, pard. I was almost converted wunst by a hymn at a camp-meetin'. It was a beautiful t'ought.
Dopey Doolittle: Wot was it?
Wreck Blanchard: On de under side o' Jording dere is Rest-Res-Res!

GOT THE PRIZE.

From the Yonkers Statesman.
Farmer Hoey: I hear your wife took a prize at the county fair for an iod cake.
Farmer Rakes: Sure!
Farmer Hoey: Did they cut it?
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A PRESENT FOR A HUSBAND.

From the New York Weekly.
Furniture Dealer: Yes, madam, there is no nicer present for a man than a hand-
some writing desk. Look at this one, for example.
Customer: It's very pretty; but what are all those square things?
"Drawers, madam. That desk has one hundred and sixty separate drawers."
"Huh! And every time he mislays any-
thing he'll expect me to find it. Show me a desk with one drawer."

IN THE THIRD PERSON.



—From Life.

THEY CROSSED THE CHASM.

(From a German Comic Paper.)



PICTURE STORY WITH A MORAL.



A maiden having fallen in love with a snow man, finding that tender words failed to warm his frozen heart, begs an old friend, the sun, to assist her.



Moral—Never call in a third person in a love affair.

—From Life.

WHAT HE SAW AND HEARD.

From the Boston Budget.
He was traveling in France and he had comforted himself down in the corner of a first-class railway compartment. He was alone in the carriage. The train, which was just on the point of starting, would run four hours without stopping.
"Four hours' quiet, uninterrupted read-
ing," he told himself, "accompanied by a fat cigar."
And he purred at the prospect of reading and smoking—and smoking—undisturbed by the quibbles of chance acquaintances. And he did everything so easily, so elegantly—
he was a gentleman—an American gentle-
man.
He placed a handful of papers by his side. He produced a jeweled cigar case from his breast pocket. He put a cigar between his lips. He closed the case with a snap and re-
turned it to its resting place—slowly, calm-
ly. From his trousers' pocket he produced a pearl penknife, with which he clipped the cigar and then returned the knife to its resting place—calmly, slowly. From his waistcoat pocket—what a host of pockets men have, to be sure—he produced a silver matchbox and struck a light.
The guard blew his whistle.
In dashed a young lady, all breathless. She scrambled into the seat opposite the gentleman.
The gentleman paused. The young lady swore, but the young lady did not hear him. The train slid out of the station.
The young lady arranged her skirts, and as she did she saw the match burn to the end. She saw the match fall from the gentleman's hand. She saw the cigar case pro-
duced, the cigar replaced among its frag-
rant companions, and the case returned to the pocket.
She chuckled—almost aloud.
He swore—almost aloud.
She replaced the cigar in his paper.
She laughed outright.
He looked up. And what did he see?
He saw a little, neatly-gloved hand and

A MEAN CANDIDATE.

"I went down into a certain district in Kentucky to help out a candidate for Con-
gress," said a well-known politician.
"I found that one of the local leaders who had great influence throughout the district was violently opposed to the elec-
tion of the man whose interests I repre-
sented. It was necessary to win the man over, so I went to see him personally."
"What is your objection to the Judge?"
I asked.
"Well, he ain't fit."
"Isn't he all right in finance?"
"Yass."
"And on the tariff?"
"Yass."
"Then, what is the matter?"
"He hasn't no consideration for nobody."
"How is that?"
"He war a member o' th' las' Legislature, an' voted for a bill to repeal th' bounty on foxes, when he knowed I had twenty ole foxes and sixty young uns less growin' up, worth \$150 apiece. With crops as bad as they be, an' th' State payin' nothin' fer killin' foxes, I dunno how th' farmers' git through th' winter."

COSTLY PEACE.

From New York Weekly.
Westerner (in Eastern city): Yes, I'm get-
tin' sort o' tired o' Western life, an' as I'm purty well fixed I says to myself I guess I'll come East an' settle down. Who lives in all them fine houses?
"Residents," he said, most of those handsome residences you refer to are occupied by eminent lawyers and judges.
"Lawyers? Does lawyers here get as rich as that? By gum! How many is there?"
"Lawyers? Oh, I presume there are about a thousand here."
"By gum! It's goin' to cost too much to live peaceably here. I guess I'll go back to where folks carry guns."

OFFENDED MODESTY.



Mr. Jones: Mrs. Johnson, we are going to give a small dinner party to-night, and our hired girl has suddenly left us. If you can come over and carry up the dishes for the cook and make yourself generally useful I'll give you \$2.
Mrs. Johnson: All right, but you needn't expect me to throw in any of dat silly business for that money. I'm a respectable colored pusion. I ain't no "Little Egypt" even if I am black!

THE NEW BUTLER.

From the London Westminster Gazette.
Two or three mornings after the arrival of a new butler the mistress of the house took the opportunity of asking the cook how she liked her new fellow-servant. The re-
sult was an excellent one. "In fact ma'am," said the cook, "the servants' hall is quite a different place now. Not unnaturally the mistress pressed for further particulars."
"Well, he talks so cleverly," said the cook. "Last night, for instance, he explained things to us for an hour and a half."
"Well," was the reply, "he was telling us how we are all descended from Mr. Dar-
win."

"ANSWERING A POOL."

From the Washington Post.
When Senator Harris was last at Nashville, Tenn., he fell into the company of one of the State legislators, with whom he was walking down the street. The local law-maker felt it incumbent upon himself to entertain the veteran Senator of two decades, and chipped merrily as they two passed along until the conversation reached this point, when he asked:
"Is Senator Brice a very smart man?"
The Senator, bent with his many years, plodded along, seemingly unmindful of the remark. His cane stubbed monotonously on the sidewalk for a block or two. But he roused himself, and, with a stern eye, an-
swered:
"Young man, ten years ago Senator Brice was a country school-teacher in a small Ohio town; to-day he is a multi-millionaire. I consider you a blank, blanked fool."

TRIPLE HORRORS.

From Lloyd's Newspaper.
Benham: Henry, I am glad to learn that you don't drink any more, but how did you come to leave off?
Henry: You remember the last time my mother-in-law was here?
Benham: Yes.
Henry: Well, one night while she was here I came home in a pretty bad shape and saw three of her. That settled it.

BEAUTY AND THE BEASTS.

From Pick-Me-Up.
"Beauty is only skin deep," said the scuba, with an attempt to liven up the gloom of the menagerie.
"You know," said the rhinoceros, "that's where I come in."

ICEMAKING IN BOSTON.



The Hub Refrigerating Company employs Boston girls in the manufacture of ice. The girls take their places in the factory, and everything in their vicinity immediately freezes.

SOCIETY TRIALS.

From Life.
"That pawnbroker's children seem to wear a great deal of jewelry."
"Yes; it nearly kills me to see his 12-year-old boy strutting around with my watch on."

HIS UNCLE'S VIEW.

From Life.
Reginald: According to the theory of re-
incarnation I am doing now just the op-
posite of what I did in my previous life. I suppose in your previous existence you must have been always lending money."

THE ALTRUDINOUS RAT.

From Life.
He (indignantly): And do you think it right a man should sit behind a high hat at the theater all the evening, and not see the play?
"That depends upon the play."

THE SAME THING.

From Life.
Castleton: Fiddleback is making love to an heiress.
"Ah, I heard him say that he was trying to get a large amount of capital interested in a reorganization scheme."

HE HAD THE SYMPTOMS.

From the New York Commercial Adver-
tiser.
She: I think Charlie Gush is going to pro-
pose to me to-night.
Her Friend: I shouldn't wonder at all. He's acted half insane all the evening.

A FINE ARRANGEMENT.

From the Detroit Free Press.
"See here, young man," said the stern father, "if you don't come home earlier af-
ter this, I'll know the reason why."
"Glad to hear it, Governor; that will save all explanations on my part."

IT FELT NATURAL.

From Judge.
Bald Bashby (as the mountain lion gets in its work): Whoop-se! Let 'er roll! First time I've felt right 't home since the old woman croaked. Scratch harder, ye durned pie-eater.

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soe.
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whisky at a time is enough fuh any man,
two drinks too much, and three drinks not
half enough."

THE BLIND MAN'S PARDON.

From Judge.
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Although it's broad daylight.
I seem to you to be in view,
And yet, I'm out of sight.

OUT OF DEBT.

From Tit-Bits.
Briggs: Well, old fellow, I am a happy
Wilson: How so?
Briggs: I have just succeeded in borrow-
ing enough to pay every cent I owe in the
world.

WASTO WATER: Gee whis, Willie, look at dat sign, dere's a chance fer us; let's go and 'westigate it.

It's awful cold outside; I think you must be half frozen.
Half a minute later Henry was safely en-
coined in his easy chair, with his wife at his feet putting his slippers on.

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